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## MOST BALLYHOOD PLAN WORLD HAS EVER KNOWN

### Foreign Affairs Expert Sounds Grim Warning

New York, Apr. 17.—War can be averted—but only by an effort equal to that needed to win a great conflict, Mr. John Foster Dulles, Republican Party Foreign Affairs expert, wrote in his book "War Or Peace", to be published tomorrow.

He urged "free world" to mobilise against the "relatively small, fanatical Soviet Communist Party" the potentialities "which we usually reserve for war."

Mr. Dulles' book was regarded as having added significance in view of his recent appointment as a consultant to the Secretary of State Mr. Dean Acheson.

"Future generations will look back with amazement if war is averted," he wrote.

### ATTACK ON LINTIN EXPECTED

Chinese Communist marine forces are moving this morning to attack Lintin Island in an attempt to eliminate this Nationalist stronghold.

No action has taken place up to just before 11 a.m. but a reliable source revealed that unspecified number of armed launches and junks were massing a distance away from this island in preparation to launch an attack.

Lintin, a small island about five miles off the coast of Hong Kong, lies due west of Black Point in Castle Peak district. It forms the apex of a triangle with its base points of Macao on the west and Hong Kong on the east. The island has been used as a Nationalist naval base in their blockade of the Pearl River.

"There is hope, provided our people see the danger clearly, as it is, so that we are not deceived into false moves. Provided we understand the many present policies that arise are good, so that we can get behind them unitedly and resolutely provided we see the inadequacy of present policies, so that we round them out to a global whole, and provided we develop the spiritual power without which no policy can be more than a makeshift."

"The great Soviet experiment is the most ballyhooed scheme for softening-up the opposition that the world has ever known," said Mr. Dulles.

"That softening-up organization is, in turn, backed by the most ruthless, unscrupulous, highly trained, omnipresent, secret army that the world has ever known."



Princess Elizabeth and her husband, the Duke of Edinburgh. It has now been disclosed by Buckingham Palace officials that they are expecting their second child in a few months.

### MACASSAR CLASH LIKELY

Djakarta, Apr. 17.—Colonel Kawilanting, the newly-appointed Commander of the Indonesian Republic's Armed Forces in East Indonesia, who left Djakarta today to establish his headquarters in the area, will have about 10,000 men at his disposal, an official spokesman said here.

An Indonesian Defence Ministry spokesman said earlier that Federal troops were likely to land at the rebel-controlled East Indonesian capital of Macassar "at any moment."

### Hoping For A Girl



## Sharp Brest Clash of Police and Reds

### TEAR GAS AND BATON CHARGES

Brest, Apr. 17.—One demonstrator was killed, 10 were taken to hospital and 20 Republican Security Guards were seriously injured here today in a clash between police and demonstrators protesting against the arrest of a Communist woman deputy and two trade union leaders.

Edouard Mass, aged 26, died on his way to hospital from injuries believed caused by a stone. The police fired in the air, used tear gas and made baton charges to disperse the crowd, who tried to force their way to the Town Hall and the Sub-Prefecture.

Shots or explosions were heard when between 3,000 and 4,000 demonstrators clashed with the police and armed Republican Security Guards.

The clash followed a meeting called by the local Communist-led trade unions in protest against the arrest of a Communist woman deputy, Madame Marie Lambert, and two trade union leaders, M. Charles Cadou and M. Bouquet.

These three were on a hunger strike in Brest Gaol, charged with trespassing, illegal detention and assault after the kidnapping on Saturday of M. Pierre Prevosto, a senior official of the local employers' association.

After today's protest meeting, demonstrators issued an order by the Mayor forbidding meetings or parades in the streets, tried to force their way into the Town Hall and the Sub-Prefecture.

They broke through one police cordon but were stopped by another. A police van was overturned and set on fire. Demonstrators prevented firemen from putting it out.

Large police reinforcements had arrived in Brest before the demonstration. Madame Lambert and Messrs Cadou and Bouquet were arrested yesterday. They headed 1,200 shipyard strikers who captured M. Prevosto, marched through the town to their union building and released him only after long parleys with the police.—Reuter.

### Danish Mishap

Aalborg, Denmark, Apr. 17.—The Danish Social Minister, Mr. Johan Stroebe, and seven Danish Members of Parliament were among nine people injured when a bus ran into a ditch here today.

None was seriously injured.—Reuter.

## Warning Of Possible Churchill Attempt To Bring Down Government

### Europeans Killed In Malaya Blaze

Singapore, Apr. 17.—Three European seamen and two Indonesian shore workers were killed when the British oil tanker Linagula Pipeline blew up last night and fired a million-gallon tank of aviation spirit at Pulau Samboe Island near here.

The fire spread both ways to the tanker and the shore. The fire was tonight under control, but the shore tank was still blazing fiercely, lighting up the night sky for miles around Singapore.

Ten men were believed to have been seriously hurt in the explosion, two were reported to be missing.

When the order to abandon the ship was given, the seamen had to jump into the sea.

A member of the crew said, "It was impossible to jump on the wharf as flames barred our path on ship and shore. Our only escape was on the seaward side."

Fourteen men swam to an island half a mile away.—Reuter.

## LABOUR PARTY WARY ON BUDGET DEBATE

London, Apr. 17.—Labour Ministers tonight warned their followers in Parliament to be ready to beat a possible attempt by Mr Winston Churchill, Conservative Party leader, to bring down the Government when the budget is introduced tomorrow.

A high Ministerial quarter said tonight that the Conservative Opposition might spring this dramatic surprise by forcing an immediate vote on the budget resolutions after Sir Stafford Cripps, Chancellor of the Exchequer, has completed his introductory speech.

The budget resolutions, which give instant effect to any tax changes proposed, are normally passed without dissent.

Government opponents reserve their criticisms of the new measures until they have had time to study them fully.

If the Conservatives won such a vote, the Government's resignation would be inevitable—and a new Election would follow at once.

The Cabinet today approved the 1950 budget and announced that Britain's income in 1949 and a new Election would follow at once.

The cabinet met at 10, Downing Street to give formal approval to the budget, which Sir Stafford Cripps, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, will deliver to Parliament. It will be a top secret until then. But few basic changes are expected, and the budget itself is expected to be as much a reflection of the critical political situation in the country, as of the economic picture.

The budget was drafted in anticipation of another general election, when another budget will have to be drawn up.

The White Paper issued today disclosed that the 1949 gross national product, national income and net income from abroad—totalled by £828,000,000 to £11,076,000,000.

000,000. Less than half of the increase, which includes all wages, salaries, professional incomes, payments to the armed forces, income from farming, rents and profits from private and public enterprises, are the result of higher prices.

### WAGES BILL

Of the sharp increase in the figure, 39 percent went into personal consumption, 25 percent into public expenditure, and 20 percent into capital investment. Despite the wage freeze, the national wage bill increased by £230,000,000. Twenty-seven percent of all personal income was taken by taxation, compared with 26 percent in 1948 and 19 percent in 1939.

The government has hinted that steps will be taken to cut down the colossal cost of the National Health Programme. But defence expenditures are expected to be large.

Despite token relief in certain categories of indirect taxation, such as entertainment tax, for all practical purposes the budget will again be labelled "austerity" with little substantial relief from high taxation.—United Press and Reuter.

### A Fishy Profit Gamble

London, Apr. 17.—Wholesale fish merchants lost heavily today in a big price gamble which forced the price of fish sky-high a few days after the Government had lifted all trading controls in the industry.

With the removal of price limits, the cost of cod, haddock and other fish rocketed when Billingsgate fish market opened.

But the retail fish merchants—the men who have to face the irate housewife—would have none of it. They resolutely refused to buy, saying they would rather close up their shops than pay such fantastic and crazy charges. Large supplies were unsold.—Reuter.

## Princess Elizabeth's Second Baby

London, Apr. 17.—Princess Elizabeth is expecting her second baby. An announcement indicating this was issued tonight from Buckingham Palace. It read: "Her Royal Highness, the Princess Elizabeth, Duchess of Edinburgh will undertake no further public engagements."

This is the usual procedure for announcing an expected Royal birth.

Princess Elizabeth, who is 24 years old next Friday, is now in Malta with her husband, the Duke of Edinburgh, who has been serving with the Royal Navy in the Mediterranean.

The Princess also spent a holiday with the Duke in Malta from November 20 until December 28 last year, during which they celebrated their second anniversary.

The Princess' first child, Prince Charles, was born at Buckingham Palace on December 14, 1948. Princess Elizabeth married the Duke of Edinburgh on November 20, 1947. She was then 21.

Whether the new baby is a boy or a girl, it will be third in line of succession to the Throne, following after Princess Elizabeth herself and Prince Charles, her first baby, and taking precedence over Princess Elizabeth's sister, Margaret.—Reuter.

## Scot Faces Murder Trial

Singapore, Apr. 17.—A 22-year-old Malay girl, for whose murder Robert Kinloch, 46-year-old Scottish rubber estate manager, is on trial here, said on her deathbed that Kinloch kicked her on the breast in a struggle for the possession of a pistol.

The girl's deathbed statement was read at today's session of the trial in K'o'n Bala's Azis Court near the Thailand border. The prosecution has alleged that Kinloch shot the girl, Eash Rint Ismali, described as his mistress, with a Webley revolver last December 12.

Defence counsel said that Kinloch had never intended to kill or injure Eash. The shooting had been "an unfortunate episode."

Dr R. E. Anderson, chief medical officer for Kelantan, yesterday told the Court that when Kinloch brought Eash to hospital he said that he was sitting on one bed and Eash on another when he "playfully pointed a revolver at her and it went off."

The trial was adjourned.—Reuter.

### "Gorgeous" In Rome

Rome, Apr. 17.—"Gorgeous Gussie" Moran, the American tennis star, arrived here by air tonight with Mr. Pat di Cicco, Vice-Chairman of the American Screen Artists Federation, whom she has said she will marry soon.

Miss Moran is to compete in the Italian Tennis Championships here.—Reuter.



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## Watch Your Weight To Stay Well

By H. N. BUNDESEN, M.D.

THE over-fat person is neither as comfortable nor as healthy as he would be if he were 25 pounds lighter. Nor is he likely to live as long because excess fat puts an extra strain on every part of the body.

One is in the effect it has on the joints. These delicate structures are designed to support a normal weight. When fat accumulates, the extra burden does damage in various ways.

The joints which suffer first—and most—are those of the feet, ankles, and knees, which carry the weight of the body in standing and walking. Many people who have suffered constant discomfort from painful feet have found great relief merely through losing weight.

According to an article in *Hygiene* by Dr. Lewin of Chicago, flat feet may be caused by overweight. In a person who has always had flat feet, the pain may be made worse by weight gains.

It is also important to remember that operations are sometimes required to correct painful disorders of the feet. Such operations will be carried out with greater difficulty in persons who are overweight.

### Ankle Sprains

Ankle sprains are common in persons who are overweight, and the sprain is likely to be much more severe than in those who are thin. A sprain occurs when the joint is twisted and the supporting structures, that is, the ligaments and tendons, are torn or stretched. When the ankle is twisted, if the person is overweight, more weight is put on the supporting structures and hence more damage is done to them. Furthermore, the extra weight means that recovery from the sprain will be retarded because the injured ankle is subjected to additional strain by the excess weight of the obese person.

### Injurious Effect

Overweight also has an injurious effect on the spine. Since the excess weight accumulates for the most part in the wall of the abdomen, the obese person usually becomes "way back." His shoulders are thrown backward and the lower part of his spine forward. Pain in the lower part of the back usually develops.

An overweight person may have to sit with his legs apart because the excessive fat keeps him from bringing his legs together. This unusual posture may cause spasm of certain of the muscles of the lower part of the back, with the development of backache.

Overweight carries with it so many penalties, particularly in people more than 40 years of age, that no obese person should allow this state of things to continue but should seek a physician's advice at once as to the proper means of bringing his weight back to normal.

## JOAN DENIES ROMANCE

HOLLYWOOD. Despite all the dates with Charles Feldman, Joan Fontaine insists she still has no serious interest in any man and is in no hurry to get her divorce from Producer William Dozier.

"Charlie is a nice man," Joan says, "but he is only one of several boys. Frank Ryan will be coming here soon, I guess. The negotiations with Dozier are at a standstill. We haven't been able to reach a property settlement and it doesn't look as if we will." She says she has a very complicated life. "I suppose, some day, I'll have to file suit and let the court untangle things. But I don't know when."

## WOMANSENSE

## The White Cardigan Dress



By  
Prunella  
Wood

THIS dress stands out like all the white benches and cruise decks that ever backed up palm tree resorts.

The fabric is light weight white wool jersey, the skirt full but hanging straight, the bodice cut cardigan style with black velvet binding the buttonholes, the same fabric belting the waist. Note pushup sleeves, draped and sewn in mousquetaire fashion to stay pushed up. Black plastic buttons allow a plunging V neck closing.

## Lingerie For Spring

A Boston lingerie company offers a varied collection of knit nylon or rayon lingerie for spring in misses', junior and teen sizes.

Sure fit through elasticized midriffs and necklines; short lengths in slips, gowns and pyjamas; straplessness in gowns and pyjamas—these are some of the highlights for juniors and misses. New colours (bright coral, green iris, and champagne) for nylon tricot also are featured. Introduced with the belief that new colours are important. Generous trimmings, usually Val-type or Venice-type lace, embellish almost all styles in each size group.

Elastic banding comes through for midriffs and necklines in long gowns and in two-piece shortie pyjamas (one with bloomer pants in a 2-10 range) for all sizes. It also is the chief feature of two strapless gowns in lace-trimmed nylon tricot—one in misses' sizes with lace insert around the hips, one for juniors.

### SHORT LENGTHS

Short lengths star in a chemise-slip (included in a give-piece matched set) designed for wear with indecisive hemlines of spring ready to wear, in many pyjamas and gowns (one reminiscent of the 1920 chemise dress with flounced camisole neckline topped with ribbon straps restated as a criss-cross ribbon sash).

Raysen Jersey gets special attention for spring, based on success of a group of rayon items featured for holiday wear.

Special colours are the lively accent for these with deep purple featured in two gowns, coral or blue in a polka-dot solid colour scheme for a four-piece set. The quartet, including short and long pyjamas, gown, and chemise, is designed for mixing or matching as a budget wardrobe for vacations or backyard.

## COSMETIC NEWS

Bath essence is regarded by many women as a real luxury only to be used on special occasions. But there is a new small pack, which costs 7s. 6d. and contains enough for eight softened and perfumed baths.

## Headed For Springtime



By GRACE THORNCLEIFFE

SHOWN today are two nice headlines for spring. Putty beige milan straw is used for a hat with a cutted forehead band. A flatterer scarf in creamy white chiffon is artfully draped over the crown caught with a jewelled pin, and draped at will at the throat. Periwinkle blue felt is the colour of a classic of the perennially popular soft cloche type, brightened with vivid red grosgrain ribbon trim.



Fifteen minutes of rest does wonders to perk you up when you're tired. Lie down and place cotton pads saturated with good quality witch hazel over eyes.

By HELEN FOLLETT

RELAXATION should be a part of every woman's beauty programme. Keep at high tension all the time and you are using up body and nerve forces unnecessarily, when you need every bit of vitality that you have these busy, hectic days. One can't gallop all the time. There are moments when one must do a stop, rest body, soul and mind, give overworked motors a chance to cool off.

Look around you when strolling along the by-ways. The majority of women's faces show tension, a condition that will etch in fine lines, cause delicate tissues to become depleted, put on the marks of age long before they are due.

Says a physician: "Many of my women patients are suffering from nervous exhaustion, a condition that causes much unhappiness and discomfort. Most of them are not eating properly about the balanced diet being served to the family. Fatigue has destroyed appetite. I give them vitamins and I make them stay in bed for twenty-four hours once a week. Relaxation is a lost art. These women think they can't relax, so I try to tell them how it can be done, how necessary it is to mental and physical well being."

A warm bath will condition a tired woman so that she can do a stop, find relief from nervousness.

While the water is running in the tub, she should cream her face, removing the cream with tissues, then put on a thick second coat. This combination of oil and steamy atmosphere will do wonders for her complexion.

She should remain in the warm water for ten or fifteen minutes, eyes closed, mind a blank. A brisk scrubbing with a brush of heavy bristles will rouse sluggish circulation and break out of her system. A friction with a fragrant lotion after the scrubbing and shower will revive her spirits.

Complete the period of relaxation by lying down for fifteen minutes. If eyes are tired, soak pads of cotton in good quality witch hazel; place over eyes.

## Let's Eat

BY  
IDA BAILEY ALLEN



## Recipes for Pecan Lovers

Dinner

**French Onion Soup**  
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**Pecan Cheese Balls and Fruit Salad**

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You just ought to taste sweet potato and pecan slices, or big frozen pecan ice cream balls with thick chocolate sauce. Why every fountain lunch serves them in the South. Just pass that tip along to your manager, he'll make money on those frozen pecan balls."

I chuckled to myself and couldn't resist saying, "Pardon me, sir, but venture a guess you are a pecan grower?"

"Indeed I am, Ma'am, only down South we say peck-ahns. But how did you guess I'm a pecan grower? Haven't any pecans sticking onto me, I hope?"

His wife and I both laughed. "Not exactly but it was apparent you had a personal interest in pecans."

His wife smiled. "However they are used, first we like to slow-roast them for a few minutes in the oven," she said. "This develops the flavour. We use chopped pecans in various ways with sweet potatoes, with them to sweet potato soufflé, with them in stuffed sweet potatoes, whipped sweet potato, and in grated raw sweet potato pie. Then of course we make pecan tarts, they're favourite dessert all through the South. And we don't think a chocolate cake is good unless we add chopped pecans to the batter, and we love chocolate pecan brownies, too, and pecan-topped Southern gingerbread."

"Do you think we should tell the lady our secret way to make pecan snacks to serve with drinks?" asked the man in a loud whisper.

### Pecan Party Snacks

"It's too good to keep," she answered. "Our twin pecan-anchovy snacks are the most popular of all we serve at our parties," she continued. "So quick to prepare too. We just stick two big pecan meats together with a little anchovy paste, that's all there is to it. You should see them disappear."

"There's another pecan snack topping that runs these a close second. For the topping we melt 1/2 pound buttered Cheddar cheese until soft. Then stir in 2 ounces Roquefort and 2 finely-chopped pickles. We spread this on small crisp crackers and top each with a big pecan."

**Suggestion from the Chef**  
Combine 1 1/2 c. cooked diced or shredded carrots and string beans with 1-1/2 lb. browned butter and 1 tsp. mixed shives.

G. Cleveland Myers Ph.D suggests:

## HOW TO PREVENT TANTRUMS

ALTHOUGH some youngsters have tantrums all their lives, we usually associate tantrums with babies and very young children. A tantrum is some form of violent, explosive anger. In the very early years it is not always easy to distinguish a tantrum from a violent fright, as when the infant several months old is frightened when lowered into a tub of water. If held there against strong resistance he may become enraged.

Another source of tantrums, especially before the age of four or five, is unwise attempt by the parents to force the child to do certain things, by commanding him to do them and then punishing him with the hope of forcing him to obey this positive command. Whereas the tot from two to five may never have a tantrum over a negative command or from punishment to deter him, if the command or punishment is consistent, this same tot may burst into violent rage when his parent attempts to force him to obey a positive command, as to pick up a block or close the door when he has made up his mind not to do so. Now all living things tend to avoid what is painful. If you consistently connect pain in the tot two or three with picking up the block, he naturally may avoid the act already unattractive in and of itself.

A certain mother having commanded the tot, three, to pick up the blocks, spunked his child again and again most severely but he didn't pick up the blocks, though he went into a violent tantrum. He probably would not have picked them up if she had beaten him almost to death. Yet, it is a depressing thought that he had been given one good smack he hardly would have repeated the act.

## The Woman In Fashion

If you are interested in the history and psychology of dress, read "The Woman In Fashion," the book by Doris Langley Moore (Dutton, 25s.). It's a fascinating collection of English women's clothing of the nineteenth and early twentieth centuries photographed by Felix Fonteyn and modelled by English people as Vivien Leigh, Moira Shearer, Margot Fonteyn, Elizabeth Schwarzkopf, Google Withers, Mai Zetterling. The dresses have all been taken from the private collection of Doris Langley Moore, who is an authority on the history and psychology of dress, and she has herself written the witty and stimulating text.

Of the plates, particularly beautiful are some of the wedding dresses modelled by ballerinas, the embroidered bottle-green gabardine tunic of 1877 modelled by Vivien Leigh (reproduced) and the ball dress of 1893, as shown on Eve Ashley. Intriguing is the croquet costume of 1894, where the skirt is looped up on buttons, freely revealing a decorative petticoat; and an awful warning is the cloche-skirted fashion of 1927, bravely modelled by Mrs John Rhodes at this period, it was widely held, "good taste at last reigned supreme and a standard of attractiveness in dress had been attained" from which no reasonable woman would ever wish to depart.

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## PASTURE-ISED POLICEMAN



FOR 12 years Snippy, the police horse, and his boss, policeman Emmett Hanley, have stopped by the Argonne School in San Francisco, to greet the youngsters. Then, by turns, Snippy gave 15 to 20 of them a ride to the corner and back. Shown giving his last ride to his young admirers, the 18-year-old Snippy has been retired to a farm in the country. (Acme).

## Quackery Is Common In Psychoanalysis

Almost anyone can hang out a shingle as a psychoanalyst, says the chief of psychiatry at one of San Francisco's top hospitals, and the trouble is, too many do.

Dr. Norman Reider estimated at a meeting of the Mental Health Society that "at least 25,000 mind-peddlers are practising in the United States, and the number is increasing every day."

The reason, Dr. Reider said, is that no state licences are required for mental therapy work.

Quackery within the medical profession is practically nil, he pointed out, because medical practice is carefully defined by law. But in the field of psychotherapy, there is no legal definition for proper treatment.

## RESULTS TRAGIC

"The result," he said, "is charlatans. People with no training whatever—even plumbers and electricians—are setting themselves up as analysts, marriage consultants, psychologists, or vocational guidance consultants."

"The results of their work are tragic," he declared.

Dr. Reider predicted that a "decade would pass" before legislation necessary to maintain standards established by other professional societies would come.

Qualified workers in the psychotherapy field are struggling with the problem now, he said.

The organizations of qualified professionals include the American Association of Psychiatric Social Workers, the American Association of Psychologists,

## MONOCLE FOR PARISIANS

More men are wearing monocles in Paris now than ever before.

Optical lens makers say the men are wearing them for show, not for eye defects.

Even young men between 20 and 30 are wearing monocles.

The fashion grew after monocles reappeared at Paris theatres and the opera for the first time since the war.

More kinds of perfume for men are now on sale than ever before.

# RICHARD TODD MEETS PERIL IN HOLLYWOOD

AND BURSTS THEIR FAVOURITE BUBBLE

By Frederick Cook

NEW YORK.

**R**ICHARD Todd, sailing for London and home soon after making his first picture in America, is taking with him some definite ideas on Hollywood. The place is only a village, he says. People talk too much, especially about other people and their private affairs. The gossip columnists are a daily hazard.

The weather is wonderful, but all the stories about turning out masterpieces in half the time we take just is not true.

"One gets to work at the same time as in England," he said. "Making-up takes just as long and the filming moves along at the same speed."

"From the actor's point of view, there isn't the slightest

difference between a British studio and an American."

Todd found it was all too easy to "put one's foot in it" in Hollywood. "The place is just an overgrown village," he said. "Too many people know and talk far too much about other people's business."

"If one makes the slightest faux pas it is seized on by some

are sensitive, and with the slightest touch on the bit they know what to do and do it—

and often wondered how the man racing into town did that dismount at full gallop. I've had to learn. But what amazed me was the way in which the horse itself is trained to come to a full stop the moment he feels the rider's weight lifted off the saddle. In England, if you tried to dismount that way, the horse would keep right on going—and you'd end up in a heap with some broken bones."

## CAR TROUBLE

Two things did bother Todd and his wife—the absence of a good cup of tea and the way in which restaurants and shops maintain parking men to jump into your car the moment you arrive and drive it round the back for you.

"This worried me a lot at first," said Todd. "I'd hate to have a stranger drive my British car. Here, of course, they are all standardised. If you can handle one, you can handle them all. After a while, I got used to it."

## FROM BROADWAY—

JUDY Holliday, whose courtroom scene was the hit of the film "Adam's Rib," is to be starred in a movie version of "Born Yesterday," the comedy in which she was one of last year's outstanding Broadway successes. Here is a girl who will be figuring among the Oscars one day.

## —AND TO BROADWAY—

CLAIRE Luce, who has been appearing here on television, is postponing her return to the West End for the starring role in a new Broadway play "With a Silk Thread" to open this month. She will play the part of an actress who retires from the stage to marry a doctor but decides after all that her heart belongs before the footlights. Author Elsa Shelley will stage the play.

—London Express Service.



NYLON SHOPPING  
Todd and wife in Hollywood.

## Charleston Craze Won't Last Long

The revival of the Charleston won't last long, Gene Kelly predicts. The next dance to zoom on to ballroom floors will be the waltz.

Kelly says it will be danced, even by bobby-soxers, just the way grandma did it. After a spell with the waltz, you can expect a smooth, gliding ballroom dance, modern and romantic.

"I'm against the Charleston," said Kelly, who is at least the second best dancer in America. He claims Fred Astaire is best. "Take a woman like Judy Garland, wearing a beautiful gown with her hair stylishly arranged. How long could she look like that dancing the Charleston?"

"That's a dance for short skirts and shorter hair. It's a sign of postwar times now, like it was in the Roaring Twenties, but it won't last once the novelty wears off."

## CALLS IT UGLY

"Actually it's an ugly dance—does turned in and knees knocking. On a small floor, people can't help but kick each other. And in a few bars of music, they're drenched in perspiration. It really belongs in a gymnasium instead of a ballroom. He'll be happy when the waltz comes back," he added. It's a sharp contrast to the revolt against form and beauty which he said marks the Charleston.

Kelly, who knows enough about different dances to be choreographer in his current picture, "Summer Stock," said you can get the best line on future dance trends by noting what kind of music is popular.

"A few years ago musical groups came north from Mexico and South America, and before we knew it we all were doing the rumba and the samba," he said. "We liked their music, so we had to learn how to dance to it."

"If we knew what music would make the biggest hit five years from now, we'd know what type of dancing we'd be doing then."

## POWDER-PUFF FOWLS AND COLOURED

An Australian woman is breeding coloured fowls which look like powder-puffs.

The woman, Mrs. Edith Rivers, breeds the fowls, which belong to the Silkie breed, in black, blue, partridge, and gold.

There are a few white silkies in Australia, but so far Mrs. Rivers has not found any other coloured ones.

She is searching Melbourne and Adelaide for coloured fowls to add to her brood to produce a fowl with a gay red plumage.

Mrs. Rivers began breeding coloured fowls as a hobby six years ago, when her husband died, and since then has won the championship at the Brisbane Royal Show with them every year.

"They are highly decorative, but lay a normal number of eggs," she said. "The Egg Board accepts the eggs as pullet eggs."

"The fowls' soft feathers are just the thing for women's hats."

"The silkies don't scratch up the gardens, and make ideal pets."

"They are delicious when roasted."

## PSYCHIATRIST HELPS

advised her to "dress up and stay out all night." She did, and her husband beat her severely.

Later, she got competent psychiatric help, and was told her husband had definite paranoid symptoms. A characteristic of paranoia is a delusion of persecution, Reider explained.

"And the last thing in the world one should do with a paranoid is the arouse his suspicions," he said.

Reider admitted that some of the fault lies with the victims who believe stories that quacks are "being persecuted by the medical profession." The quacks claim, he said, that they have a cure-all for all illnesses.—United Press.

## UNCOVERED BY LAW

Those organisations issue certificates to qualified persons. However, no certificates are required by law, except for psychiatrists, who must have a medical degree.

Dr. Reider's favourite example of the current situation was a Los Angeles sign he once saw. It read: "Colonic Irrigations and Psychoanalysis."

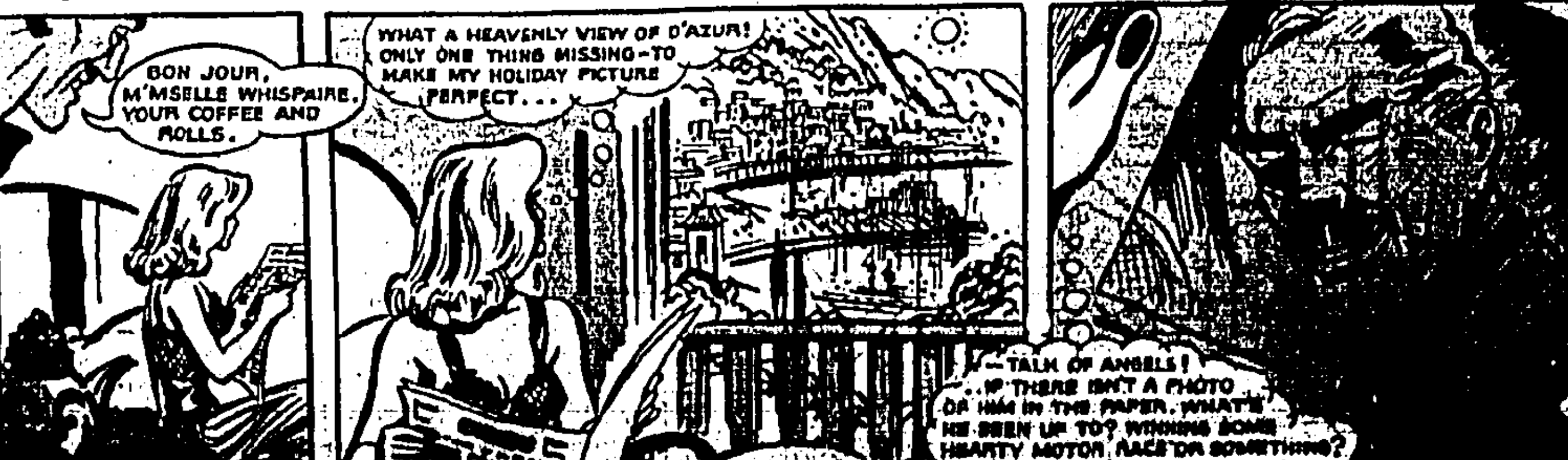
Reider cited another story of the dangers presented by "self-starting, free-wheeling mind-peddlers." A woman's husband had been ignoring her. The husband stayed out all night, and failed to assume any family responsibilities. She consulted a self-appointed "marriage consultant" who

## TOP TELEVISION ACTOR



ACTOR Ralph Bellamy, named as American television's outstanding actor of the year, receives his reward in New York from Little Gloria McCann, nine-year-old cardiac patient, as Mrs. Wendell Willkie looks on. Gloria reigned over the first annual awards dinner of the U.S. Academy of Radio and Television Best Arts and Sciences. (Acme).

## K. O. CANNON . . . THIS WEEK—A NEW ADVENTURE WITH WHISPER



Judy Holliday will figure among the Oscars one day.

## Scalping Started By White Men

Charley Grounds, a Seminole Indian, has asked the U.S. Congress to remove from its halls a picture of an Indian scalping a white man. Grounds insisted that it was not true; that the white man started the scalping.

Accordingly, the Association for Indian Affairs, Inc., made a review of the history of scalping. Its researchers checked Smithsonian Institution publications as far back as 1910 and 1906 and said "that scalping was not general among American Indians before the coming of the white man."

James Mooney in the "Handbook of American Indians" issued by the Smithsonian's Bureau of Ethnology in 1910 said:

## LIMITED AT FIRST

"Scalping was confined originally in North America to a limited area in the eastern United States and the lower St. Lawrence region. It was absent from New England and much of the Atlantic Coast region, and was unknown until comparatively recent times throughout the whole interior and plains area. It was not found on the Pacific coast or the Canadian northwest."

"Scalping in its commonly known form was largely the result of the influence of white people," Georg Frederici wrote in the Smithsonian annual report in 1910. "They introduced firearms, which increased the fatalities in a conflict; brought the steel knife, facilitating the taking of the scalp, and finally offered scalp premiums."

Frederici said the New England Puritans in 1637 were the first to offer premiums for native heads and later scalps. The French offered premiums for white enemies as well as Indian scalps.

## JANE TO FILL OWN CURVES

Howard Hughes is planning The Jane Russell Story, a true biography which will star Jane herself.

This will be the first time in theatrical history that any star has played her own life. Hughes believes there is plenty of drama in Jane's background—as a dentist's assistant; as the centre of a censorship storm in her first film "Outlaw"; and as the wife of famous professional footballer Bob Waterfield.

In spite of the fact that her career thrives on glamour and publicity, Jane is really a homespun girl who prefers picnics to night clubs, and who goes regularly to church.

## A STAR IN HIS OWN RIGHT



TAKE a letter. And that's just what Heinie II, a year-old chimpanzee in a Chicago zoo is doing. At least, he thinks he is, and he's writing on a television programme which features animals. Heinie is a star in his own right. (Acme).



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"Now, be good boys and fix the lawn mower, and Dadda will buy you a whole shop load of Easter eggs." LONDON EXPRESS SERVICE

## BEVERLEY BAXTER, MP, at the THEATRE

# Crazy Gang of the 17th century

LONDON.

THERE are times when the personality of a playwright is more interesting than his plays. Sir John Vanbrugh was undoubtedly such a writer.

As I watched a spirited revival at the Arts Theatre of his "Provoked Wife" I found my mind straying from the story to the author and wondering why a man of so many gifts and such grace of personality should constitute himself the author of the 17th century Crazy Gang.

There is none of the wit nor the occasional poetry of his friend Congreve. There is none of the elegance of Sheridan, nor the characterisation which Farquhar brought to his comedies.

For delicacy, "Provoked Wife" has as much and no more than "The Wedding Breakfast" at Victoria Palace, in which Knox is the bride and Nervo the groom.

Vanbrugh was the son of a Cheshire sugar-baker, not in it a complete passport to quality and taste. But when he returned from being educated in France his good looks, wit and gentility made him an immediate favourite in the Metropoli.



Good humoured explanation MARCELLA SALZER

the great Duke of Marlborough to erect Blenheim House for which Queen Anne supplied the money from her private purse.

With such a background one imagines that Sir John would have written like a man of the aristocracy, his erudition as well as his familiarity with the great and the rich.

Instead he displayed the utmost irreverence and laid about him with a jolly disregard of the niceties and the proprieties that must have shocked the town.

In "The Relapse" his vulgarity was so unrestrained that when it was recently performed in London the Department of Customs and Excise, through the Arts Council, ruled that it was educational and exempted it from Entertainment Tax.

"Provoked Wife" is contrived rather than designed. The pairs are architecturally balanced and in the end Sir John Brute, who has been married, is duly made a cuckold by a pair of gallants. While Lady Fanciful, who believes that her charms are irresistible, is hilariously debunked.

and the 18th centuries, while Joy Parker was charmingly Victorian.

There is little wit in either the writing or the production but it is vigorous and gay. We should be grateful to Alec Clunes for letting us see this curio.

At the New Lindsey a young author sets out in "Murderer's Child" to prove that Ibsen was wrong in "Ghosts". Mr Edward Rutherford's message is that heredity does not count, and that each man is master of his fate and captain of his soul.

Mrs Ellis lived apart from her husband, which made her very sad because she wanted children. So in 1931 she went to the Continent for a holiday and there she met a man.

Moonlight, the soft air and even softer music did their work. They said goodbye but when she returned to London she realised that she was going to have a baby.

Mrs Ellis picked up an evening paper and saw that her husband had been arrested in England for a particularly foul sex murder, she swooned.

The story leaps to 1949 when the son comes home from school preparatory to going up to Cambridge. Mrs Ellis has no domestic help and tells the employment agencies that she will take any agency she can get.

Whereupon that seductive blonde actress, Marcella Salzer, turns up in the role of cook-general.

### LUSTY DISREGARD

NOR were his qualities merely those of person and manner. As an architect he was in such demand that he built some of the most famous edifices in England, and was finally commissioned by

### WORTH WATCHING

NO mother in her senses would let Miss Salzer within a mile of a susceptible boy, but then Mrs Ellis had already proved that she was a woman who believed in taking a chance.

So on her day off Marcella was found murdered in a wood, and everything pointed to the son as the murderer.

Overcome with horror and the weight of impending tragedy, the mother tells the boy whose son he is.

The boy did not give a tinker's cuss. "I am myself," he bravely declares. Then the real murderer is discovered and the son goes off to Paris to paint.

### NO GHOSTS

THERE is also a confidential French maid. In fact it is that kind of a play.

Yet there are two scenes of boisterous comedy which make the evening worth while. The first is when Sir John, dressed up as his own wife, is lauded before the magistrate for disorderly behaviour. The second is when he gets drunk and is challenged to a duel.

### The Battle

MIRACULOUSLY enough, despite this neglect of two appearances considered essential to controlling French traffic, the traffic of Saarbrücken rolls on smoothly, effortlessly, with a minimum of noise or gesticulation.

Nevertheless, despite the Saar's prosperity, Germany is once again beginning to tug at the heartstrings of Saarlanders. Saar industrialists are beginning to look across the border to Germany and to waver in their views. They ask: Which offers the more profitable tie-up—France or Germany?

Similarly, the 900,000 Saarlanders gaze across the border, not at a once devastated Germany, but at a land making a remarkable industrial recovery.

Like all border peoples, the Saarlanders are opportunists. In 1935, 90 percent of the people voted for unions with Hitler's Germany. In 1947 over 90 percent voted for the puppet pro-French Government.

It is not without reason that the cynics say: "Weigh a Saarlander and you weigh his change of heart."

The Saarlanders will be weighed very often in the next few years. A battle for their soul is beginning.

—(London Express Service)

But lately Boston has been worried because most of the speakers are expounding Communist, or at least, "un-American" doctrines.

Still unwilling to cut down freedom of speech—except when a line or a play offends an easily offended Boston censor—the city council postponed the problem. Then Councillor Francis Tracey had an idea.

"Let us set up a television screen beside the speakers' corner," he said, "and show all the baseball games this summer. This condition in an effective and attractive American way."

So the first TV party in competition with the Communists will be held on the opening day of the baseball season.

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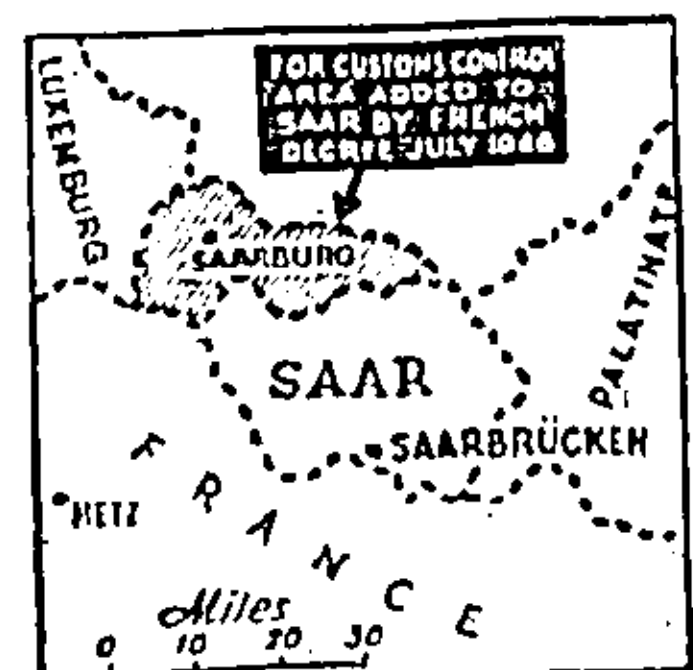
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# CZAR OF THE SAAR RULES 900,000

SAARBRÜCKEN.

MAKE a note of the name of Colonel Grandval. He is one of whom you will hear more.

He is the virtual ruler of 900,000 Saarlanders. Their fate is now linked with that of France as a result of the recent Franco-Saar agreements.



By SAM WHITE

Grandval has culture and intelligence. He is handsome; his manner military.

In 1939 he was a manager of one of his family's chemical concerns. After a year with the French Air Force during the war he entered the resistance movement and became resistance chief for Eastern France.

He is an early riser. He leaves his bed at six and at 7.30 is off to his Saarbrücken office in his Mercedes car. He insists on his staff being on duty at 8 a.m.

He has been known to leave Saarbrücken in the afternoon, drive all the way to Paris, attend conferences there, and return to Saarbrücken ready for work next morning.

Colonel Grandval's empire demands hard work. Its coal mines, the largest in Western Europe outside the Ruhr, produce 12,000,000 tons of coal a year. The French have, in effect, leased these mines from the next 50 years under a series of conventions signed in Paris six weeks ago.

The conventions recognise the provisional nature of the Saar territory; the Saarlanders have to make

good their claim to the ownership of the mines in a sea of peace conference.

The French view is that the Saar should be treated economically as part of France.

The Germans have, of course, protested. Chancellor Adenauer has called the conventions "a clear breach of Potsdam." Social Democrat leader Dr Schumacher has spoken in even stronger terms than his political rival: "This is the first big political success of Soviet Russia, and of the nationalists in Germany."

Why is this Saar coal so important? To the French it is important because if the output of the Saar mines is combined with that of the French mines, then the two add up to two-thirds of the production of West Germany; but if the Saar production is added to that of West Germany then their production would be more than twice that of France.

Food-crammed

TO the Germans it is important because they consider the Saar coal vital to the West German economy. They bought back the Saar mines from France for a gigantic sum in 1935; and now they are ready to see the Saar administered by some kind of international authority. They do not see why the French should gain exclusive control.

The French throughout have been careful to display to the Saarlanders the advantages which they would gain from union with France. After the war they flooded the Saar with consumer goods until it became

### In Resistance

HE speaks German, but he talks only French in the Saar and all his official speeches are made in that language. The chief stands in a vast deer park, and the colonel has altered it to make it even more luxurious than it was in the days of its former occupant, a millionaire German industrialist.

A swimming pool has been built. The walls of several rooms have been knocked down to make a banquet hall.

Colonel Grandval has built a chapel in the castle grounds.

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# Britain helping Reds BALTIC AIR CLASH: U.S. WAITING

Washington, Apr. 17.—The State Department announced today that it had delayed its reply to the Soviet protest, which alleged that an American military plane violated Latvian territory and fired on Russian fighters sent to intercept it.

A State Department spokesman, Mr. Michael McDermott, said that the United States' reply would not be made until all the facts had been collected and "a calm and thorough appraisal" had been made.

"This Government believes that this careful approach is the only proper one in an important and delicate matter of international relations," Mr. McDermott said.

"It regrets that the Soviet Government has failed to show equal calmness and restraint," he added.

## Rainmakers —or nature end drought

Denver, Colorado, Apr. 17.—Farmers puzzled today over whether rainmakers or nature had caused the week-end storms that ended the start of a crop-killing drought in South-eastern Colorado's agriculture belt.

Four planes carrying carbon dioxide seeded clouds over Pueblo and Las Animas during a two-day period. The clouds opened to send a downpour almost immediately after each rainmaking effort.

Heavy rain made up for the storm of rain, snow and hail on Saturday that by-passed the area but drenched most of the dust bowl of the early 1930s.

Two of the pilots said they claimed no credit for the rain, but one two-man plane, E. L. Wilkins, Jr. and Ernest Stubblefield, said their effort was only in its beginning.

## ICE PELLETS Toss rainmakers off from Pueblo

Ray Perkins took off from Pueblo at midday yesterday and tossed cloud formations north-east of the city with dry ice pellets. Rain fell in heavy sheets west of the city shortly afterward. Witnesses said the clouds seeded by Perkins were pushed west by a north wind.

A second Pueblo pilot, Joe Rocco, took off an hour after Perkins for an area five miles north of the city. He said he dropped about four pounds of dry ice to each measured mile on the flight back. Rain started before his plane landed and was still falling in a drizzle after midnight.

Rocco said: "I am not taking any credit for the rain. I do know it wasn't raining when we took off and it was when we landed."—United Press.

## Shooting Was Of Stray Dogs

Residents in the area at the junction of Prince Edward Road and Boundary Street were puzzled by the reports of shooting early this morning.

Enquiries at the Police Station revealed that nothing of an alarming nature had occurred but that the Police were eliminating stray dogs.

## SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith



"I've got six more years before I even graduate from high school, Miss Jenkins—all the good jobs will be gone by that time!"

## FOREIGN OFFICE STUDIES CHINA PEACE PLAN

London, Apr. 17.—The British Government hopes to recruit a majority support by the end of the month for Communist China's bid for a seat on the United Nations Security Council, informed sources said on Monday.

They also said that the Foreign Office is studying the 20-year peace plan proposed by the United Nations Secretary-General, Mr. Trygve Lie, who is due to arrive in London on April 27 for a European tour and a possible visit to Moscow.

The source said that Foreign Secretary Ernest Bevin had expressed the wish to meet Mr. Lie, probably after Mr. Lie had completed his European tour.

It is known that Britain told the Peking government through the British charge, Chaffin, on March 17 that Britain would be prepared to vote for Communist China's seat on the Security Council if this was in accordance with the majority vote, for which Britain has been seeking the support of Egypt, Ecuador, and Cuba—United Press.

## RAF DISASTER OFF JAPAN

Tokyo, April 17.—Two Royal Air Force planes exploded over the ocean when a fighter rammed into a pursuit plane and an undetermined number of crew were missing.

The pilot of one of the planes was picked up by a Japanese Coast Guard vessel. He suffered an injured leg and shoulder.

The collision occurred off the Hiroshima Prefecture coast during manoeuvres of Commonwealth air units in Southern Japan.—United Press.

## BRUSSELS BATON CHARGE

Brussels, Apr. 17.—Police used batons to disperse about 50 Communist students shouting "not a penny for war" today outside the Palais des Academies, Brussels, where Ministers of the five Brussels Treaty Powers were discussing defence finance.

The demonstrators greeted delegates leaving the Palace with roiling shouts of "Vive La Guerre" (Long Live War).

Police chased them among the trees of the avenue alongside the Palace.—Reuter.

## Purge Of East German Police

Berlin, Apr. 17.—The East German Deputy Premier, Herr Walter Ulbricht, has ordered a purge of "unreliable elements" in the People's Police following two mutinies, one at Potsdam and one at Halle, the West Berlin newspaper Abend reported today.

West Berlin newspapers have reported alleged large-scale mutinies in the People's Police at Potsdam several times recently.

Western Allied officials had in confirmation of these reports.—Reuter.

## BRITAIN REJECTS HUNGARY'S NOTE

London, Apr. 17.—Britain has rejected two Hungarian notes criticising Western policy in Germany and raising claims for restitution of Hungarian property in Germany, it was revealed today.

A British note, sent to the Hungarian government on April 14, rejected as "unfounded" Hungarian charges that "reactionary and aggressive forces have now come to power in Western Germany, not by the will of the German people but by that of the governments of the United States, Britain and France."

Britain said Hungary had no right to make "unsubstantiated criticisms of British policy in Germany."—United Press.

## Bedcovers for the Betrothed

New Delhi, Apr. 17.—President Rajendra Prasad is sending a pair of gold-embroidered bedcovers to Benares as a wedding present to King Phumiphon Aduldet of Siam, official sources said today.

King Phumiphon, 22, is the younger brother of King Ananda Mahidol, who was assassinated on June 1949. The young king is to marry Princess Sirikit Kitayakon, daughter of the Siam's Minister to London.—United Press.

## Belgian Mind Not Made Up

Brussels, Apr. 17.—The Belgian Socialist Executive today called for "examination" between the political parties of King Leopold's proposal to return to Belgium but let his 19-year-old son, Prince Baudouin, hold power temporarily.

The Socialists have opposed the exiled King's return.

Roman Catholics, who want the King back, were reported to stand firm on the unconditional return of the monarch or to consider compromise.

M. Van Zeeland, the present Premier-designate, who visited the King at Geneva last week, is expected to restart Party consultations tomorrow in a new effort to reach "national concord."—Reuter.

## Aussie says: "Don't send Bridges here"

Sydney, Apr. 17.—Australia wants no part of Australian-born Communist Harry Bridges, but the United States might send him to "the Soviet Union or one of its satellite groups," the weekly Sydney Bulletin said on Monday.

It said: "It has been suggested that, if the United States should deport Bridges, it will send him back to this, his 'homeland.' But this is not his homeland, since by his own act in applying for American naturalisation, he renounced it."

"Australia does not need any more of Bridges' type at present. Its government is devising measures to get rid of those already here."—United Press.

## 14 KILLED WHEN HOUSE COLLAPSES

Tel-Aviv, Apr. 17.—Fourteen persons were killed, 20 missing and 20 seriously injured as a result of the collapse of a four-storey house in Jaffa on Sunday.

Rescuers who had worked all night and today continued to bore into the wreckage in the hopes of recovering some of the missing persons.

Mayor Insa Hekka said he would demand that the government begin an immediate public inquiry into the cause of the accident.

The Tel-Aviv Labour Federation made a similar demand and recalled that this was the third house that had collapsed in a year.—United Press.

## SOCIAL SECURITY

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The procedure for financing such projects will be the subject of concrete proposals which will be submitted to the Governments with the minimum of delay by the appropriate technical committees of the Brussels Treaty, bearing in mind always that economic progress and stability constitute a fundamental element in the security of Western Europe.

Earlier today the five powers ceremonially signed three new social security conventions. They will ease restrictions on students and frontier workers and extend the internationalisation of social services.

The student convention, designed to encourage wider knowledge of the member nations by making it easier to get part-time jobs while studying in Union countries, applies

## WHEN DANCERS MEET



Margot Fonteyn, Britain's world famous ballerina, watches 31-year-old Raden Mas Utomo, leading dancer of Indonesia, during his first appearance in a Western theatre. Raden Mas Utomo (Raden Mas means son of a prince) is the nephew of the sultan of Jogjakarta. His company danced to singing and chanting as well as instrumental music. Miss Fonteyn stated that Eastern dancing emphasised the hands and head rather than feet. "I am sure it is as difficult as, if not more difficult than, Western dancing," she added.

## "FAIR SHARES" IN EXPENSE OF WESTERN DEFENCE

Brussels, Apr. 17.—The eighth session of the Western Union Consultative Council—the five Brussels Treaty powers—ended here tonight with decisions to hold military expenditures at already budgeted levels.

The meeting opened yesterday under the presidency of M. Paul Van Zeeland, Belgium's caretaker Foreign Minister.

Leaving the conference room, M. Henri Jacobet, the Belgian Minister of Finance, said that during the talks there had been no discussion of priority in military expenditures by the five signatory nations to the Brussels Treaty.

At the outset of their meeting, the Finance and Defence Ministers of the five nations—Britain, France, Belgium, Holland and Luxembourg—announced that they would seek a formula of "fair shares" in meeting the cost of Western Union defence.

Delegation members said the aims of their new defence programme is to "achieve the greatest means of a progressive standardisation of arms and equipment, first within the framework of the five-power Brussels Western Union Treaty, with a subsequent widening standardisation in the framework of the 12-power North Atlantic Pact."

## CONSULTING U.S.

They added that this standardisation affected new deliveries and possible new types of arms and equipment, but that there was no question of scrapping any existing armaments.

The new defence plan will be referred to the Western Union Permanent Armaments Committee in London on April 27, a delegation member said.

M. Leclercq said that the existing system of financing the Western Union armament programme had not been revised. He explained that this does not mean that an examination of the existing system had been stopped.

The consultations would continue but no date had been decided for the next meeting of the Consultative Council.

The Consultative Council said in a communiqué tonight that it has invited the United States Ambassador in London to meet them informally to clarify questions under their consideration.

These, it said, were intimally related to the North Atlantic Treaty plan and the request for defence assistance programme of the United States.

The communiqué added: "The five Governments were agreed upon the need to put immediately in effect certain of the projects required by the defence plans already approved. A list of projects of first urgency has been drawn up."—Reuter.

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## Radio Hongkong

H.K.T. programme summary: 6.02, Music and Song of Eric Coates; 6.30, Organ Solo by G. D. Cunningham; 6.30, Cantata by Radio-Given by Miss Lee; 7.15, Letter for America by Alistair Cooke (London relay); 7.30, State and Screen Favourites — by Aileen Woods (Studio); 8.00, World News and News Analysis (BBC); 8.15, Ber Gillette at the Hammond Organ (relay from the Forces Education Centre); 8.30, "The Blue Danube" (The True Story of the Strauss Family and their Contemporaries (London relay); 9.10, Weather Report; 9.11, Piano Recital by Wong (Studio); 9.25, Interlude; 9.40, "Dancing Time" — With the Dance Orchestra of the South Staff (London relay); 10.00, "In the Balance" — A Story from the Midlands by Dorothy Baker, read by Pamela Mann (BBC); 10.25, "Time for Music" — BBC Midland Light Orchestra (BBC); 10.30, London Promenade Orchestra; 11.00, Weather Report; 11.05, News and Home News from Britain (Recorded relay); 11.30, Close Down.

## RUSSIAN SNORKELS PROWLING U.S. WATERS

—Says Admiral

Los Angeles, Apr. 17.—Russia has four Snorkel submarines to every United States submarine, a war-time commander of the Pacific submarine fleet said today.

Vice-Admiral Charles Lockwood said the United States has about 70 submarines in the Atlantic and the Pacific. He had 61 subs under his command at the outbreak of the last war.

He told newsmen that Russia has a fleet of more than 250 Snorkel subs and he believed that some of them have been prowling Californian waters.

He said, "It is reasonable to assume that Russian submarine commanders are prowling our waters to obtain accurate data on temperature and water depths and to learn all they can about sonar conditions for application in hunting our destroyers."—United Press.

## French Reds Offer Angry Challenge

Paris, Apr. 17.—Angry French Communists, with two of their deputies arrested, threw a challenge to the authorities tonight by inviting "direct action" by workers after serious clashes with the police in Paris and Brest.

In Paris, baton-wielding police stormed barricades under a hail of stones and refuse to smash a workers' attempt to seize a suburban factory of the nationalised Snecma aircraft works.

Tonight the Communists invited a show-down with the police. At a meeting of 300 of the 3,200 men locked out at the Snecma works, a Communist factory leader cried, "We must capture our factory. Everybody must be at the factory gates tomorrow morning."

The Communist evening paper, Ce Soir, in an editorial on the riots tonight, called "all the sons of France" to "action."—Reuter.

## Planned to blow up wife and children

Los Angeles, Apr. 17.—The police reported that a suitcase loaded with explosives was removed from a United Airlines transport today and exploded harmlessly in a parking lot. The case had been placed on the plane as part of the plot of a debt-crazed engineer to kill his wife and two children.

Jason Grant, 31, was taken into custody and confessed to putting a time-bomb on the plane after taking out US\$25,000 in insurance policies on his wife, Betty, 26, and their two children, Robert, five, and Marie, four.

At the last moment before the plane's departure, Grant dashed up to the ticket counter at Los Angeles International Airport and told what he had done.

## Soviet Zone Policemen Heavily Armed

Berlin, Apr. 17.—Police in the Soviet Zone of Germany have been armed with war weapons and converted into soldiers, Irvin Robbins, American prosecutor in Berlin, said today.

He made the statement as the United States High Commission opened proceedings against eight East German "people's policemen" ranging in age from 18 to 23. The men were ordered to be held without bail for trial by the U.S. District Court Judge, John Sabo, on charges of illegal possession of weapons.

The police, heavily armed, were arrested in the American sector near the Soviet sector border last Thursday.—United Press.

## JUST WENT NUTS

The DC-3 airliner had 13 passengers aboard. Grant told the police he had taken out \$10,000 in insurance on his wife, \$10,000 on his daughter and \$5,000 on his son from the policy-selling machine at the airport only a few minutes prior to the plane's scheduled departure.

According to the police chief, Grant told questioners: "My mind was all befuddled because of debts. I guess I just went nuts. I was up to my neck in debt and could see no way out."—United Press.

## WET LINE

Scranton, North Dakota, Apr. 17.—Reporters making a long-distance telephone call for information on flood conditions here were interrupted by the Scranton operator, who said: "You will have to leave the line soon, please. The creek has just started flowing through the telephone office."—United Press.

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# THE STRONGEST EVER RUGBY TEAM TO LEAVE THE BRITISH ISLES

BY HYLTON CLEAVER

The strongest British rugby team ever to leave the British Isles is on its way to New Zealand. It consists of 30 strong with every man a full-blooded international.

Their first match will be played at Nelson on May 10 against a combined team representing Nelson-Marlborough-Golden Bay.

Their last in New Zealand will be on August 5; this will be the fourth Test played at Wellington.

The team will then leave for Australia. Here they will play only six matches, but two will be Tests, and by that time no doubt injuries will have made themselves felt.

The two Tests will be played at Brisbane, on August 18, and the second at Sydney, on August 26. The four other Australian games will all be played in New South Wales, the last being on September 2.

Tours overseas began in 1899, when Britain were unbeaten in Australia, but lost twice in New Zealand. In 1899 they went to Australia again and lost three games. In 1904 they were unbeaten

in Australia, but were defeated twice in New Zealand. In 1908 they lost twice in Australia and seven times in New Zealand. In 1930 they lost twice in Australia, and six times in New Zealand.

This team of 1950 therefore has one great object, to go through the tour unbeaten in Australia, and in these days it will be an exacting task.

The All Blacks have been more vitally interested in this rugby tour for a long time than they were even in the Empire Games, and rugby is their life.

In Australia there is really more love of cricket, and Rugby Union football has to compete with Australian football, soccer and Rugby League.

The result is that the best Rugby Union football is played only in New South Wales. But in New Zealand rugby is much more important than cricket, and our team will meet this opposition first.

They will have a great time, and the better the rugby they play the better the time they will have. In fact, should we beat the All Blacks, the ovation will be equal to anything we could expect in this country.

**THIRTEEN WELSHMEN**  
Our hopes in this respect rest largely on the fact that the team includes 13 Welsh internationals, and Wales have proved themselves this season to be of an exceptional standard.

They have beaten every other country, a feat they have not performed since 1911. They form the basis of our touring strength, although Ireland provide the captain, in Karl Mullen.

The fact that only three Englishmen are going, and that one of these, Gordon Rimmer, at scrum-half, has not been in the England XV since the first game, is not due solely to the fact that we stand at the bottom of the international table.

**BUILT ROUND OXFORD**  
Built round is the Oxford University, and that not one of these Blues was able to make the trip. Neither was J. V. Smith, of Cambridge, who has been the match winning hope of the season.

But those who do travel, in addition to Rimmer, are Ivor Preece, the England and Coventry captain, at fly-half, and Vic Roberts, of Cornwall, one of the finest back row forwards of the post-war years.

Although the post-war years, though for some queer reason he was not selected until a second-row forward, J. R. C. Matthews, dropped out.

The Scottish and Welsh captains, W. I. D. Elliot and G. Williams are absentees. Both are forwards.

If, therefore, Karl Mullen should be credited, it seems that the captaincy of the touring team would pass to Preece, and the question would then arise whether he were preferred by the selectors to J. Kyle, the Irish stand-off half.

**P. W. KININMONTH**  
It may be for this reason that P. W. Kininmonth was given the captaincy of the Scottish side against England, for he is a forward almost certain to be a first choice, and he is on the tour.

Manager of the party is Surgeon Captain L. N. Osborne, chairman of the England selection committee, who is not an international, but captained Devonport Services as a forward in his day.

Secretary is Captain L. N. Savage, who has been for many years one of the administrators behind Army rugby, and was a prisoner of war for five years.

The touring party team has ever before left Britain which consisted entirely of internationals; for this reason alone their chances are brighter than ever before.

They take with them the good wishes of us all, and our confidence that they will bring us pride.

(London Express Service)

## FAREWELL TO POLICE CRICKETER



A farewell match in honour of Inspector H. Danbrowsky, centre of the group in this picture with Mrs. Danbrowsky, was played at the Police Sports Club, Boundary Street, on Sunday between Hongkong and Kowloon stations.

Kowloon won and "Dan" took two wickets and scored 30 runs. He was a mainstay of the Police XI from 1928 to 1941 and, though he has made only an occasional post-war appearance on the cricket field, is still one of the better spin bowlers in Hongkong. Following the match, "Dan" was presented with a silver mug. He is leaving shortly on retirement.—Photo by Jimmy Foo.

## A Shrewd Tennis Brain Will Captain Australian Davis Cup Players

BY ERIC RIEL

Melbourne, Australia, April 16.—Veteran Australian Davis Cup team manager Harry Hopman ranks Frank Sedgman Australia's No. 1 player and third in world tennis.

Hopman was recently chosen captain-manager of the 1950 Australian Cup team to try and bring the Cup back to Australia like he did in 1939, when Jack Crawford, Adrian Quist, John Bromwich and Hopman represented Australia.

The Davis Cup veteran and Melbourne Herald sportswriter is regarded as one of the shrewdest tennis brains in the country. Though the official Australian rankings will not be released till the end of this month, Hopman, as in previous years, has announced his own choice of Australian and world players.

Ted Schroeder and Panchito Gonzales of the U.S. are Hopman's pick of the world's top-ranking players. Americans Billy Talbot (4), Frank Parker (5), and Gardner Mulley (8) give the U.S. five out of 10 in Hopman's list.

He puts Jaroslav Drobny former Czech Wimbledon finalist, sixth, and Eric Sturgess of South Africa, seventh. Australians John Bromwich and Billy Sidwell fall at 9th and 10th respectively.

Hopman's ten top stars of the year in Australia are:

1. Frank Sedgman
2. John Bromwich
3. Billy Sidwell
4. Geoff Brown
5. Ken McGregor
6. Adrian Quist
7. George Worthington
8. Colin Long
9. Mervyn Rose
10. Don Candy

Bromwich has dropped from last year's Hopman's top choice to second place, while Sedgman has moved up from No. 3. Ken McGregor, now fifth, was ranked No. 10 by Hopman last year.

**STRIKING FACT**  
"It is a striking fact," Hopman says, "that although Gonzales and Parker are now professionals, the United States still has high world-ranking players to defend the Davis Cup."

He reckons that since Schroeder played in the London, Wimbledon and American Championships, and at least half a dozen American tournaments, it was sufficient to give him the opportunity to "take him" if they were good enough.

Sedgman's rise in world tennis and the emergence of Ken McGregor are features of the tennis year, the Australian Cup man says.

Sedgman has long been Hopman's pet protégé. During the 1940s Sedgman was the war years, he conscientiously coached and trained the present 22-year-old Australian Champion.

Sedgman's brilliant rise to become Australia's leading player is generally credited as largely due to Hopman's patient work.

Sedgman didn't outline himself in the beginning of last November—December State Championships. But he regained his form and outplayed Sturgess and Drobny in Adelaide, and also retained his National title by beating B. M. W. Smith, Sturgess and McGregor.

Hopman considers Geoff Brown's defeat of Panchito Gonzales at Wimbledon, and of Sidwell and Sedgman in the Queensland Championship, earned him a place above McGregor, despite the latter's spectacular display in the Australian Championship in which he defeated Drobny, Worthington and Sidwell before bowing to Sedgman in a tough 6-3, 6-4, 6-6, 6-1 final.—United Press.

**OFFICIAL RANKINGS**  
Melbourne, Apr. 18.—Frank Sedgman and Mrs. Nancy W. Bolton head the annual men's Australian tennis rankings.

**Fine Performance By John Horn**  
London, Apr. 17.—John Horn, 16-year-old Essex player, won up one of the best performances of his career in defeating Stephen Nimir, the Egyptian Davis Cup player, by 6-2, 2-6 and 6-3 in the first round of the Wimbledon Singles in the Cumberland Club's lawn tennis tournament.

Nimir took the initiative in the second set by planning Horn to the baseline with accurate driving, but Horn retained the mastery in the third set by varying the length of his drives and cleverly using lobs and drop shots.—Reuter.

## ON THE RECORD LET'S HAVE SOME RAPID TRANSIT TOURNAMENTS

What's wrong with Hongkong chess? In actual fact there isn't very much really wrong and there are some better players about than there have been in years.

But Mr. R. W. Borsodi, ex-Champion of Trinidad, summed up what was wrong with Hongkong chess only last week at a round table conference with Mr. A. Brikhoff, Vice-President of the Kowloon Chess Club and generally the man behind the scenes who sets another Colony Chess Championship rolling, and with this columnist.

The problems of running a chess club to everyone's satisfaction are manifold, Mr. Borsodi said, and there is an excellent way to keep everyone satisfied. "Give them rapid transit tournaments," he suggested.

Now, rapid transit tournaments are nothing new to Hongkong chess. We have had them here before under the name of lightning chess tournaments, these 10 seconds a move affairs.

The American name we found rather misleading. The Americans, of course, first thought of calling sauerkraut by a new name (liberty cabbage), and they have found a new name for the blitz tournament (rapid transit).

The suggestion is that someone rushes into a chess club, plays a game in a great hurry and rushes out. In actual fact, what is really needed, Mr. Borsodi said, is a gong and some sort of clock contraption that makes a hammer hit it every 10 seconds.

As soon as a hammer hits that gong, everyone whose turn it is makes his move. Mr. Borsodi was making a reference to what has happened at quite a few of the Kowloon Chess Club's Annual Dinners—when the rapid transit tournament is a traditional affair—and the time spent getting mixed up between black and white and some people taking advantage of this fact to make two moves in a hurry.

What Mr. Borsodi has never experienced is a player making two moves when there is plenty of time and no one is in a great hurry.

Only once in the history of the Kowloon Chess Club have things reached that stage where this was considered quite above board and everyone capable of this type of play was put into a separate class and given their own tournament to play in.

There was that remarkable game when there were two contestants who were both under check for seven consecutive moves and things got so funny that one of the players brought children along there as a bit of entertainment than going to see Laurel and Hardy.

The kids didn't see what the joke was all about and the poor man had to bribe them with quite a load of ice creams later to keep them quiet at home on where everybody had been.

Now there are only an odd member or two about who continue playing when the king is off the board, or when they get impatient waiting for you to spur you on.

However, they are all under control, fully cognisant of what they are doing and influenced only by impatience. Hence, Mr. Borsodi's suggestion will win their approval.

But Mr. Borsodi's concern is not chiefly with these members. He finds that let alone them, there are a lot of other people who would benefit in learning to think faster.

In the Marshall Chess Club in New York, where he played a lot of his chess, he told us, rapid transit tournaments were very popular for the fact that they were just the only type of tournament in which the good players—the men who eventually find their way to such places as San Remo, Poderebrady and Kemerli where they face other men who take chess very seriously—didn't sit down with all-comers.

But that, he explained, is not the only advantage to rapid transit chess tournaments. The fact is, he asserted, that many an outstanding player today has first placed good chess in 10-seconds-a-move games and has rapid transit experience has never spoiled anyone's game.

Many a man who reached world class as a chess player started off that way and learned to think quickly. For instance, consider this fact—someone learning a particular opening. Even if he plays it badly, he can't play as many games a night to test his knowledge out.

In a rapid transit tournament, with reputation at stake and a good opponent in every other game, those first-11 or 17 book moves are over in between four and six minutes and then you are on your own and being confronted with every possible pitfall with just 10 seconds between you and disaster.

If you can learn to think clearly in 10 seconds, imagine what you can do to your opponent with minutes at your command, Mr. Borsodi suggests.

We agree with Mr. Borsodi and bring forward at this stage all his other suggestions. First of all, he found a tournament that lasted four months a very fatiguing affair. With this, the 14 other players who took part in the same tournament agree.

In fact, they are all so tired that the field will probably be open to Messrs. Borsodi, H. Klinghardt, S. Gritsky, L. Schure and K. Weiss and, perhaps, one or two others to contest the Colony Chess Championship among themselves.

That is as it should be. One unfortunate thing about present day chess in Hongkong is that the city isn't full of people who think they know how to play the game.

I can remember some years gone by when the Colony Chess Championship Fund would have ranked in a surfeit of forfeits. The new rule is that those who don't make 33 percent of the possible points surrender \$15.

But Mr. Borsodi would not stop at that. Here, too, he is not alone. He would like to see everybody short of a possible upset winner relegated to a tournament for also-rans, be it called a Junior Tournament, a Premier Reserve Tournament or anything else. He is even offering a trophy.

That also is not new, and it could be re-introduced with a vengeance. The problem is a difficult one, and those who were here before the war may remember the spate of correspondence over the suggestion that the Colony Chess Championship Committee decide who was and who wasn't eligible for the tournament.

But, taking all Mr. Borsodi's suggestions together, this is a column sees a perfect solution. First, there is not much trouble deciding who is eligible for the Colony Chess Championship without any further qualifying tournaments or study of performance dossiers or Committees. Let them play, by all means, if they want to.

Second, for any newcomer, let him shine in the rapid transit tournaments in which, we hope, players of the calibre of Messrs. Borsodi, Klinghardt, and Gritsky will participate, if every second time.

Let's have tournaments twice a month and let everybody play. The problem remaining is, where do we find that gong contraption?

**"RECORDER"**

**FANLING GOLF**

Three competitors returned cards of 1 up on Borge for the Priz Sunday Competition played at Fanling on April 16 and they also tied with 1 up for the last 9 holes. However, R. C. Galdner (13) who was 2 up over the last six holes becomes the eventual winner, Mr. Cleland (10) and J. Markham (9) were the two other competitors who were also 1 up on Borge in the competition.

As a result of the play-off W. E. Grievs qualified for the Captain's Cup in April.

**ENGLAND v SCOTLAND**

The England v Scotland match will be played on Sunday, April 30. Singles in the morning and 4 balls or fouromes in the afternoon.

Indicate partners and opponents and matches will be arranged accordingly as far as possible. Individual losers to pay for tiffin on results of singles.

Members may enter names on list at Fanling or submit names to Club office or submit names to Club office and indicate how they wish matches arranged. Entries close on Monday, April 24.

**Rugger Results**

London, Apr. 17.—The following were the results of rugger games played today:

**RUGBY LEAGUE**

Leeds 8, Huddersfield 22.

Hull Kingston Rovers 8, Bradford Northern 5.

**RUGBY UNION**

Ebbw Vale 14, Exeter 8.

Penzance and Newlyn 5, Cardiff 0.

Coventry 6, Rugby 3.—Reuter.

## British Golfers Surprised At Snead's Remarks

London, Apr. 17.—Sam Snead's recent outburst against austere Britain and other strong criticism has left a "bad taste" in the mouths of British golfers.

They wonder why Snead should have waited so long before making his remarks and are even giving him the benefit of the doubt by suggesting that he has been misquoted. But Snead has not troubled to deny the statements he is alleged to have made.

Nor is it forgotten that when he won the British Open title he had nothing but nice things to say about Britain and British sportsmanship. Now it is said he has no desire ever to return to Britain.

**CHANGED OPINION**

The lie to these assertions is given by history and by entries for the year's events. Several times in the past American golfers have been beaten by British courses, have uttered strong remarks similar to those of Snead and have come back to change their

opinions and go so far as to say the courses are the best in the world.

The British Professional Golfers Association have issued a list of known overseas players entered for British tournaments this coming season. They do not exhaust the names that are likely to crop up. Bobby Locke from South Africa will defend his Open Championship; Australia will be represented by Norman Von Nida, and Ossie Pickworth; South America, with Roberto de Vincenzo, from Argentina, and J. J. Cruikshank, from Buenos Aires, will be the Hascan (Egypt), H. Karlsson (Sweden), S. A. Roudstrom (Sweden) and Flor von Donck (Belgium) are some of the others.

Art Clark from the United States is known to be challenging again, while a newcomer from South Africa will be E. Moore. There are others from the near-continent countries who are certain to be over for one or more events, while Australia and South Africa will be strongly represented in the women's sphere.

Despite what Sam Snead may say, there are countless players who consider that to play in English tournaments and Championships (and win them if possible) is still the hallmark of competitive golf.—Reuter.

**SUSSEX CCC CRISIS IS NOW OVER**

Hove, Sussex, Apr. 17.—The Sussex County Cricket "crisis" ended tonight at the largest meeting in the club's history of over 100 years, with a decision to elect a new Committee by postal ballot and to ask the Duke of Norfolk to resume the presidency.

A caretaker committee of six vice-presidents has run the club's affairs since the Duke and the committee walked out after the annual general meeting about three weeks ago had passed a "no confidence" vote in them as a result of the resignation of the captain, 33-year-old Hugh Bartlett.

More than 1,100 of the 2,000 members crowded into Hove Town Hall for tonight's meeting and heard Sir Alan Saunders, chairman of the "caretakers", say that the resigning committee was "not at all bitter about any of this" and he decided to clear the decks so that tonight's meeting could have a free run.

Sir Alan said that by the postal vote the new committee should be well in being in less than a month from when the inauguration paper is sent out. The meeting unanimously adopted the caretaker committee's suggestion that James Langridge should be temporary captain until the new committee decides on the captaincy.

This means that James Langridge will join Tom Dollery, of Warwickshire, as the only professional captain in County cricket, though Leslie Berry captained Leicestershire as a professional in 1947 and 1948.

Brother of the opening batsman, John Langridge, he is a patient left-hand batsman, and a skilful slow bowler who has played in eight Tests for England. Six times he has achieved the "double" of 1,000 runs and 100 wickets in a season.—Reuter.

**GREAT METROPOLITAN**

London, Apr. 17.—There are 15 probable runners for the great Metropolitan Handicap, to be run over two and a quarter miles at Epsom tomorrow.

The probabilities, with jockeys, are as follows:

Now G. Never (W.H. Carr), Parker's Pence (D.L. Jones), Parker's Knight (W. Rickaby), La Hero (H. Packham), F. Ami (B. Rook), Soudoulatie (W. Smith), Techuggan (E.P.H. Smith), Coup Depee (F. Durr), Phalarin (S. Wangs), Guerrier comb (Doug Smith), Guerrier comb (Doug Smith), Stalpend (T. Carter), Blue Fox (P. Blanc), Tarka (R. Bradley) and Noble Bill (J. Street).—Reuter.

## Ip Koon-Hung Beats Ahmed

Ip Koon-hung, the Colony's Champion, yesterday beat Ahmed, the Pakistan Champion, 0-7, 6-4, in their two-set exhibition match at the Chinese Recreation Club. Ip thus avenged himself for the two-set defeat he suffered at the Pakistan's hands last Thursday.

Although the first set went to 16 games and lasted only 25 minutes, it was not exciting or fast. Neither player produced the form they are capable of. More points were gained and lost through nerving and over-hitting than by strategy.

It was only in the second set that the spectators saw flashes of the heights both man can attain. Seldom did either of them advance to the net to cut off a return; both were more content with baseline and mid-court duels.

**BROKE THROUGH**  
Ahmed broke through Ip's opening service to take an early lead after the Colony champion had twice saved game point.

But Pakistan went further ahead in the second game by winning his own service.

The next three games went with service, but the sixth Ip broke through to be giving of his best, both being content with lobs and drives from the baseline.

Just when the spectators were beginning to see some real tennis in the doubles match between Ip, partnered by Edwin Tsai, and Ahmed, partnered by W.P. Tsai, rain stopped play! Both pairs had then won three games each.

Both Tsai and Tsai made use of some delightfully placed lobs and annulled down the centre court and even Ip and Ahmed regained their form. Ahmed in particular made one spectacular overhead shot which earned him applause and a point.

**Home Football Results**

London, Apr. 17.—The following were the results of football matches played today:

**Second Division**  
Cardiff C. 1 Southampton 1

**Scottish Other Matches**  
Aberdeen 1 Dundee U. 1  
S'ling Albion 1 Falkirk 2

**Scottish League "A"**  
Dundee 0 Rangers 1  
Hearts 3 Partick 3  
Motherwell 3 East Fife 1  
Queen 1 St Mirren 1  
O'South 1 St Mirren 1.—Reuter.



# FOR YOUR SPARE MOMENTS

## McKENNEY ON BRIDGE

Utilise All Entries  
To Make Contracts

By WILLIAM E. MCKENNEY

WHEN George A. Alderton II, of Detroit, was president of the American Contract Bridge League, he did a great deal in proving to prejudiced groups throughout the country that tournament bridge is one of the cleanest forms of gambling. Clergy and church groups have taken it up as it is one game which can be played without any stake.

Mr. Alderton tells me that his son, George III, started a duplicate game at Bethany College. In one of their games recently Mitch Bedford of Syracuse, N.Y., and Arthur Ames of Boston, were top North and South, while Wes Black of McKeesport, Pa., and Dave Holman of Niagara Falls, N.Y., were top East and West.

Bedford's father, who is a clergyman in Syracuse, plays duplicate also. Young Bedford is studying for the ministry and had a pulpit in Pennsylvania.

AK6	Q732
Q1085	Q732
AKQJ9	Q732
Q	Q732
AK6	Q732
Q1085	Q732
AKQJ9	Q732
Q	Q732
AK6	Q732
Q1085	Q732
AKQJ9	Q732
Q	Q732

Tournament—Both vul.

South West North East

1. Pass 2. Pass 3. Pass 4. Pass

5. N. T. Pass 6. Pass 7. Pass 8. Pass

9. N. T. Pass 10. Pass 11. Pass 12. Pass

Opening—♥ K 11

In today's hand I think Bedford (sitting South) handled the timing very well. West made a very smart opening of the king of hearts, which declarer had to win with the ace. The ace of clubs was cashed by declarer. The ten of clubs was trumped in dummy with the six of spades.

The king of diamonds was returned and over taken by declarer with the ten-spot. The king of clubs was trumped with the eight of spades. The king of spades was cashed and then Mitch played the jack of diamonds, which was overtaken with the king in his hand.

He then cashed the ace of spades and led the four of diamonds, winning the trick in dummy with the ace. On the fourth diamond he discarded his nine of hearts and conceded to his opponents the trick of trump. Thus, by utilizing all of his entries and carefully timing the play of the hand, declarer made his slam contract.

## Check Your Knowledge

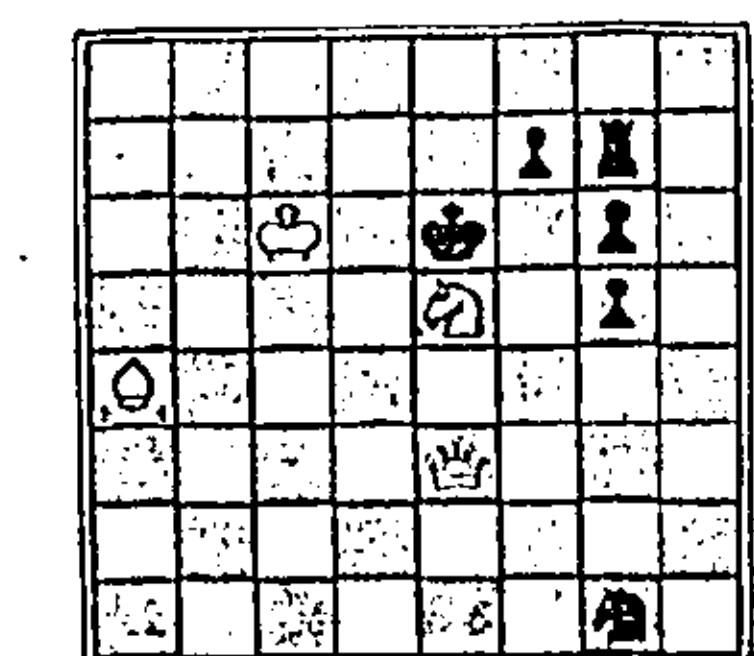
1. What is a seiche?
2. Fill in the missing word. Filbert is a common name for—?
3. Define episcopal.
4. What is the meaning of the expression "between Scylla and Charybdis"?
5. Can you tell a rattlesnake's age by the number of joints in its rattle?

(Answers on Page 8)

## CHess PROBLEM

By A. BOTTACCHI

Black, 6 pieces.



White, 4 pieces.

White to play and mate in three.

Solution to yesterday's problem:

1. K-Kt5, any; 2. Q, R, Kt, or P mates.

## DUMB BELLS

REGISTERED U.S. PATENT OFFICE

WHY DID YOU SAY ONE EAR RING?

MY GIRL IS DEAF IN ONE EAR!



## YOUR BIRTHDAY... By STELLA

TUESDAY, APRIL 18

If you are born today, your intuitions are exceptionally keen, almost prophetic. You have extremely high ambitions and the stars have given you the capabilities to realize them. If you fail to reach your objective, do not blame others. Look inward and see where you have failed!

Music and the arts appeal to you and you probably have talent in these lines. Whether you develop it will depend to a degree upon your parents. If they do not discover your gift during your childhood, the chances are that your life work will be in some other field and your artistic ability reserved for a hobby or vocation. Then, later on in life, you might turn to the arts as a profession. This split interest

could make you quite unhappy in middle life unless you fully understand this duality of your nature.

Your emotions are strong and you may find it difficult to select a person for marriage among the many who appeal to you. It would be better for you to wait rather late in life, for by then your pattern of living would be determined and your selection more likely to last. Although you are very critical, you have the ability of combining critical acuity with amusing wit.

To find what the stars have in store for tomorrow, select your birthday star and read the corresponding paragraph. Let your birthday star be your daily guide.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 19

**ARIES** (Mar. 23-Apr. 20)—Merchandise, employment and money matters. Details continue to be important to your future.

**TAURUS** (Apr. 21-May 21)—Be co-operative and you will get good results. Combine business and social events advantageously.

**GEMINI** (May 22-June 23)—Well-directed energy can bring about excellent results. Don't waste actions. Make every moment count.

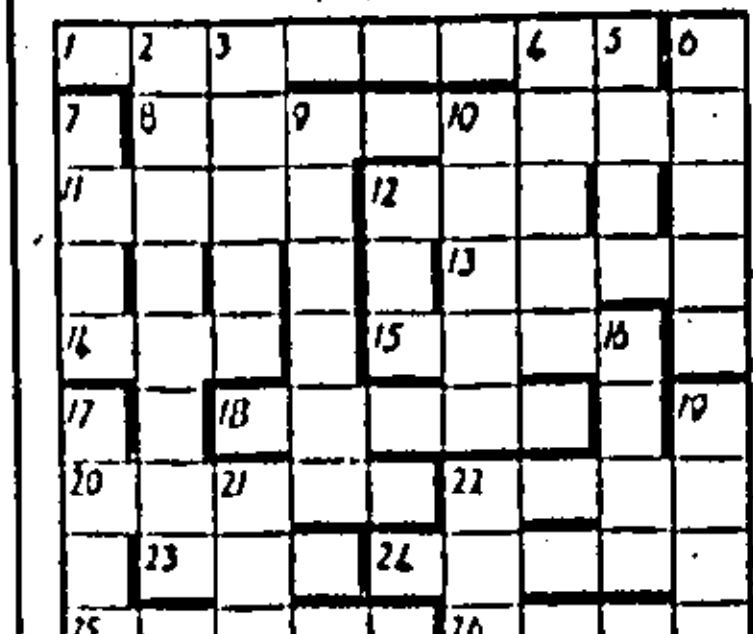
**CANCER** (June 23-July 23)—Put forth your best efforts in your chosen field of endeavor and anticipate excellent results.

**LEO** (July 24-Aug. 23)—Concentrate on things which are constructive and you will add to your future prospects. Be progressive.

**VIRGO** (Aug. 24-Sept. 23)—Dare to start something new and you can succeed. Brain work counts for a great deal right now.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)—Partnerships, either business or social, should add something to your future welfare at this time.

## CROSSWORD



- Across
1. A nature impulse (10)
  2. A chance to bring about something desired (10)
  3. Handy server (4)
  4. Sounds as though you may be intended (10)
  5. Aromatic ointment (4)
  6. This man has no will of his own (10)
- Down
1. One sort of seed (4)
  2. Cheerful kind of wild cherry (10)
  3. Kinks (10)
  4. Singular second person (4)
  5. Contentment and fault (10)
  6. To long (10)
  7. Although not always scored by a player, it counts (10)
  8. Keep this in mind (4)
  9. Down
  10. This change of manner so easily identifies the foreigner (10)
  11. A word which means the metric (10)
  12. With one word, you return by car (10)
  13. Sometimes exacted as tribute (4)
  14. This trip leaves to come to turn (10)
  15. Duration of a visit (4)
  16. You may find it in a swan's nest (10)
  17. Robes are often of this nature (10)
  18. Identified the first apron (10)
  19. Battered space of dusty soil (4)
  20. Placed material used to seal (10)
  21. Lipped (10)
  22. Treason without doubt (10)

Answers of yesterday's puzzle—Across: 1. Anguish; 2. Leap; 3. Order; 4. Gilt; 5. Gilt; 6. Gilt; 7. Gilt; 8. Gilt; 9. Gilt; 10. Gilt; 11. Gilt; 12. Gilt; 13. Gilt; 14. Gilt; 15. Gilt; 16. Gilt; 17. Gilt; 18. Gilt; 19. Gilt; 20. Gilt; 21. Gilt; 22. Gilt.

## SCIENCE AT WORK

### Hippocrates' plant for blood pressure now

By PAUL F. ELLIS

A SCIENTIST has now ment for high blood pressure. A isolated a potent drug known to exist in a plant root since the days of Hippocrates and other early founders of medicine. The development may lead the way toward better treatment.

The drug in isolated form has been named germitrine by Dr. Oskar Wintersteiner, who did the research work. For his achievement, Wintersteiner, of the Scaub Institute for Medical Research, has been awarded the William H. Nichols medal of the American Chemical Society's New York section.

Germitrine is far more powerful than its parent, the root powder of the Heliolepis plant or veratrum viride, Wintersteiner said. The plant was used for medical purposes by the early Greeks, and it will cut down high blood pressure.

However, the plant medicine has not been used generally because it has a nauseating effect on the patient. Tests so far show, according to Wintersteiner, that the isolated substance also causes nausea—that it is still unpleasant to take. But with the drug in isolated form, the scientists may be able to study its properties and in time reduce the bad reactions.

## FOR INSANITY

In accepting the medal for his work, Dr. Wintersteiner traced the history of heliolepis as a drug and referred to the writings of Hippocrates, "Father of Medicine," in which the drug was mentioned.

It was known in these ancient days as a sick-producing drug, the scientists said, and that it was used for various ailments, including insanity.

Dr. Wintersteiner said that Demosthenes once recommended the drug for his political opponents, but the early writings do not indicate whether Demosthenes was simply suggesting the standard treatment for insanity.

The drug was used during the centuries, but finally it fell into disrepute, probably due to its unwise use, according to Dr. Wintersteiner. With it available in isolated form, it may make a comeback, he said.

## BY THE WAY

by Beachcomber

TO the egg-marker civilization (sic) owes its ability to distinguish between a West African frozen egg and an Icelandic frozen egg. But egg-markers would join the unemployed if anything came of Charlie Suet's scheme for transporting all eggs by air to the Arctic regions, where they would be automatically frozen without the aid of science.

This would give us a standard frozen egg, and the country of origin would be unimportant. Suet said yesterday: "If a reporter can fry an egg on the pavement in midsummer, surely an official can freeze an egg on the ice in midwinter."

## Venus in the Ascendant (VI)

I HOPE I shall not be accused of being a Jansenist and a spelt-sport. If I remark that Colonel Egham was not sent all the way from London to Tibet by the Secret Service in order to fondle women's ears. Some such thought occurred to the warrior, for as he bent to brush the dew from her inviting lips he suddenly remembered himself, coughed awkwardly, dropped her ear, and backed away from the divan, like a school-boy caught stealing jam. Quick to appreciate the changed atmosphere, Ding-Pong said: "What have you been sent here for this time?" "Nothing definite," lied our hero. "Just general observation. Keeping an eye on things, you know."

"Yes," retorted the pouting vampire, "I know. You wouldn't, of course, have come to look for a mysterious building on the frontier?" Egham started as though stung by a hornet. Then, recovering his composure, he drawled: "Building? What building?"

## Epitaph

Here a poor white man is interred,

Who, to his subsequent distress,

Took a snave cannibal at his word:

"Come round and take pot luck, Don't dress."

—(London Express Service)

## China's coal for peasants as well as industries

San Francisco, Apr. 17.—The Communist authorities in China plan to distribute the country's coal output to points where it would serve the nation best. This would be done through the newly-established State-owned National Coal Company, Peking Radio reported tonight.

Under the new scheme all areas would be supplied with local coal as far as possible. Deficiencies would be covered by the Company's distributing organ. Coal for railways and industries would be given priority, but it was also the Company's purpose to see that there was adequate coal for domestic users.

The radio pointed out that in many of China's provinces—Hogel and Honan, for instance—peasants had never had sufficient fuel. Coal would now, however, be delivered to these peasants, thus avoiding the burning of materials which could be used as fertilizer.

It was further reported that the China Coal and Building Materials Company, with its head office in Peking and branch offices in many parts of China, would handle the distribution and supply of coal throughout the country. The coal production of all State-owned mines would be under government control and contracts could also be signed between the company and privately-run mines.

## COAL EXPORTS

The price of coal would in future be determined by the company. This, it was maintained, would help the Government to achieve market stability.

The export of coal would also be handled by the company. It would also supply building materials like cement, steel reinforcement, timber, bricks and tiles to public utilities and city construction bodies and, eventually, to villages too.

Peking Radio added that many coal contracts had already been signed with public and private industrial concerns throughout the country by the Company.—Reuter.

## Swiss sign trade pact with India

Berne, Apr. 17.—India will get Swiss goods to the value of 97 million francs under a one-year trade pact announced today. A Swiss official communiqué said that India would "markedly increase" her exports to Switzerland, although no figure was mentioned.

Swiss deliveries will be valued into the following: watches and clocks, 15 million francs; textiles, 10 million francs; chemicals, 17 million francs; aluminum, four million francs; machine tools, 10 million francs; rolling stock, five million francs; machinery and apparatus, 25 million francs; and various industrial and agricultural products, three million francs.

Special quotas were fixed for Indian exports of oilseeds, coffee and manganese.

India will increase her exports to Switzerland of such items as leather, hides, tobacco, tropical woods and jewellery, it was stated.

The pact has still to be ratified by both Governments. It would then come into force for 12 months from March 1 this year. It was signed by the Swiss chief trade negotiator, Herr Hans Schaffner, and the Indian Minister in Berne, Mr. D. B. Debal.—Reuter.

## NY FOREIGN EXCHANGE

Closing rates at the New York Foreign Exchange yesterday were:

Canada (dollar)	US\$0.90-3/16
England (pound)	2.90-3/16
France (franc)	2.54 bid
Germany (mark)	2.57 asked
Italy (lira)	2.90
Japan (yen)	2.70-13/16
Australia (pound)	2.80 1/2
New Zealand (pound)	2.70 1/2
South Africa (pound)	2.80 1/2
Belgium (franc)	0.019 1/2
Denmark (crown)	0.16 1/2
Sweden (crown)	0.022 1/2
Switzerland (franc)	0.022 1/2
Spain (peseta)	0.022 1/2
Portugal (escudo)	0.022 1/2
Finland (markka)	0.022 1/2
Poland (zloty)	0.022 1/2
Czechoslovakia (koruna)	0.022 1/2
Hungary (forint)	0.022 1/2
Romania (lei)	0.022 1/2
Greece (drachma)	0.022 1/2
Turkey (lira)	0.022 1/2
Yugoslavia (dinar)	0.022 1/2
Bulgaria (lev)	0.022 1/2
Soviet Union (rouble)	0.022 1/2
China (yuan)	0.022 1/2
India (rupee)	0.022 1/2
Pakistan (rupee)	0.022 1/2
Burma (kyat)	0.022 1/2
Siam (baht)	0.022 1/2
Thailand (baht)	0.022 1/2
Philippines (peso)	0.022 1/2
Indonesia (rupiah)	0.022 1/2
Malaya (ringgit)	0.022 1/2
Singapore (dollar)	0.022 1/2
Japan (yen)	350 yen to US\$1

—United Press.

## RUBBER FUTURES

New York, Apr. 17.—Firmness in the London and Singapore markets provided the main influence in the rubber market here today.

Prices closed 20 to 45 points higher on sales totalling 120 contracts.

Prices closed as follows—April (in cents per lb.) 22.75 nominal; May 22.75 nominal; June 22.75 nominal; July 22.75 nominal; August 22.75 nominal; September 22.75 nominal; October 22.75 nominal; November 22.75 nominal; December 22.75 nominal; January (1951) 22.75 nominal; SPOT 22.75 nominal.

—United Press.

## China Plants Hemp And Cotton

San Francisco, Apr. 17.—Peking Radio said tonight that peasants in China's two great cotton producing areas—Central South China and North-West China—were receiving much assistance from local authorities in the initial work of cotton and hemp planting.

The areas aimed to produce 123,000 tons of cotton out of the total national target of 650,000 tons, the Radio said, adding that the authorities had formed teams of various experts to direct the planting of cotton.—Reuter.

## S. AFRICA IS RID OF DEFICIT

Capetown, Apr. 17.—South Africa will end the financial year with an estimated surplus of £1,500,000 instead of an anticipated deficit of £750,000, the Finance Minister, Mr. N. C. Havenga, said today.

He told the House of Assembly that the inflow of capital from the United States and Switzerland was now considerably more and the dollar position was improving.

He had received a report from the Governor of the South African Reserve Bank that the foreign exchange position was now so strong that on the present figure the Government could meet its requirements for the rest of the year as far as import permits were concerned.

Any new inflow of capital would be available for next year's position. If the position continued to improve as at present, it would be possible to meet all legitimate demands of commerce and industry.—Reuter.

## HONGKONG SHARES

Transactions at the Hongkong Stock Exchange this morning were \$52,045.

Non quotations were:

SHARES BUYERS SELLERS SALES

BANKS

HSBC Bank 104 30 q 1320

Chartered Bank 3 q 315

Union Bank 20 q 570

DOCKERS

N. P. Wharf 6

Dock 1740

Shanghai 300

LAND, ETC.

HK Land 42 1/2

Swire Land 150

Utilities

Star Ferry 80

C. Light (N) 10.80

C. Light (S) 820

INDUSTRIALS

Cement 11 1/2

Watson 23 1/2

COTTONS

MISCELLANEOUS

Asia Nav 700, 1000 q 700.

Exchange Rates

Business was done in the local unofficial exchange market this morning at the following rates:

Sterling pound note (per £) 15.50

US dollars (per \$1) 6.17

Niger (per 100) 10 1/2

Siam (per 100) 24.50

May/June 18

July/August 17

October/December 17

January/February 17

—United Press.

## At London

London, Apr. 17.—Prices in the rubber market here today closed as follows:

Spot No. 1 (in pence per 100 lb.) 10 1/2

May 10 1/2

June 10 1/2

July/August 10 1/2

October/December 10 1/2

January/February 10 1/2

—United Press.

## OUTWARD MAILS

Unregistered letters and printed matter for China mainland can be accepted at sender's risk and will be forwarded as opportunity offers.

Unless otherwise stated, registered Articles by Air or Sea will be sent by the ordinary mail.

It mails close before 10 a.m. Registered and Parcel Post close at 5 p.m. on the previous day.

Mails are closed at Kowloon Central Post Office one hour earlier than the G.P.O. closing times.

TUESDAY, APRIL 18

Closing Times By Air

Hongkong 5 p.m.

Japan 5 p.m.

Manila, Guam, Honolulu, USA and Canada 5 p.m.

And Parcel Post for Manila, Honolulu and USA, 5 p.m.

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## BOYS' AND GIRLS' MAGAZINE

### A Game of Hide-and-Seek

—To Play It Well, You Should Be Very Small—

By MAX TRELL

ALL morning



# RAF FIGHTERS SOAR INTO ACTION AGAINST BANDITS AS BRIGGS TAKES OVER

Singapore, Apr. 17.—The 84th Squadron of RAF Brigand Fighters soared into action over Malaya for the first time today as Lieutenant-General Sir Harold Rawdon Briggs' "War Cabinet" took over direction of anti-terrorist operations.

General Briggs, who arrived in Kuala Lumpur, Federation capital, 12 days ago, denied at a press conference there that he lacked sufficient police, army, navy and air force groups to meet the situation, but he warned against impatience, against "waiting for us to do something."

"It can't be hurried, but we won't waste time," he said.

Meanwhile, Lincoln bombers hammered jungle hill country south of the capital, and fighters—Spittfires, Tempests and Mustangs—reinforced by the 84th Squadron newly in from the Middle East—strafed and bombed terrorist strongholds over a wide area.

Li Gen, Briggs, announcing the formation of his new "War Cabinet", said that it was fully agreed on policy against the estimated 3,000 to 5,000 guerrillas now active throughout the Federation.

With the Cabinet, which was now working out details, he hoped to clear areas of terrorism, move in stabilising administration, and transfer the troops involved to other affected spots, but would not predict how long the emergency would last.

"I have complete liberty to order anything I require subject to the Federation High Commissioner, Sir Henry Gurney," he declared.

It was not intended to call in more troops or order martial law. He hinted at large-scale intelligence expansion, and said that the new Cabinet was examining methods of obtaining more information on guerrilla movements from rubber estate workers and villagers.

General Briggs was making his first public statement since the British Government appointed him to co-ordinate the Malayan security forces under one command following recent increased terrorist activity.—Reuter.

## TRIBESMEN WELCOME SERETSE

Serowe, Bechuanaland, Apr. 17.—Seretse Khama, hatched chief-designate of the Bamangwato tribe, told hundreds of dancing and shouting tribesmen and women from all parts of Bechuanaland here today: "I have been driven away from my country."

Is now on an authorized visit here to his London-born wife, formerly Miss Ruth Williams.

Telling the people the terms of his return for five days, Seretse today said that he was unable to address meetings.

"But you have come to see me," he said, "and I cannot turn you away. This demonstration disproves the Government statement that you do not want me."—Reuter.

## ECONOMIC OUTLOOK FOR U.S. SAID GOOD

Washington, Apr. 17.—President Truman's top economic advisers told him today that the nation's economic outlook for the next six months is "good."

The forecast was made by Leon Keyserling, acting chairman of the Council of Economic Advisors, and John Clark, Council member.

"No matter how you measure it the economic situation now is very strong," Keyserling told newsmen after giving the President the Council's report on the first quarter of this year.

He added: "The outlook for the next six months is good."

President Truman himself thinks the economic picture is good. He said so the other day and said he thought he would take credit for it.

Keyserling told newsmen: "Whether you measure it by industrial output, profits to business by sustained levels of consumer spending, home building, or automobile and steel production—no matter how you measure it, the situation is very good."

Keyserling said, however, the outstanding economic problem before the country is the "rising level of unemployment in face of business prosperity."

He said: "Unemployment levels are not dangerous or critical at present but they are higher than they ought to be. We must reduce and minimize this paradox of more unemployment in the midst of business prosperity by greater expansion of business and production."—United Press.

## GOLDMINING PROFITS

Capetown, Apr. 17.—The Finance Minister, Mr. N. C. Havenga, told the House of Assembly today he thought it a bull point in his Budget to be able to announce that the goldmining industry had, as a result of premium sales, netted a profit of £1,700,000.

He had already explained that the Government itself was not selling gold, he said.—Reuter.

## New Afghan Ambassador To London

London, Apr. 17.—Marshall Shah Wali, the King of Afghanistan's uncle, has arrived here to take up his appointment as Afghanistan Ambassador.

He received visitors and dealt with correspondence at his Embassy today. He will present his credentials to the King on May 3.

The Marshall was for many years Commander-in-Chief of the Afghan military forces. He holds all the decorations awarded by his country.

He has served his country in the diplomatic service for 20 years. He was Minister in London and Paris and more recently was Afghanistan's first Ambassador to Pakistan.

In sending to London as Ambassador a Prince of royal blood who ranks next to the King in his own country, Afghanistan is underlining its desire to strengthen her friendship with Britain.—Reuter.

## Pro-Red Charges Strongly Denied By John Service

Washington, Apr. 17.—John Service, State Department career diplomat, has told Senate investigators that the charges against him made by Senator Joseph McCarthy are without foundation.

"I am not and never have been a Communist or an advocate of Communism, or a saboteur of American foreign policy or an espionage agent, or any of the other things of which I have been charged," he wrote to Senator Millard Tydings last week.

The letter, released by Mr. Service's counsel today, carried his offer to appear before the Senate Foreign Relations Subcommittee. He asked, however, that his appearance be deferred pending an investigation of himself by the State Department Loyalty Board.

Mr. Service, who was involved in the 1945 Amerasia case, has been described by Senator McCarthy as "not a sound security risk." He was among the first targets of Senate McCarthy's campaign against the State Department for allegedly harbouring pro-Communists.

Mr. Service said he was assembling documentary evidence "so I may establish, once and for all, by evidence and not by my own word, that these charges are wholly without foundation in fact."

"I am and always have been completely loyal to my country, which I have served for 17 years," he stated.

Senate investigators agreed today to extend their inquiry into alleged Communism in the State Department beyond the evidence offered by Senator McCarthy. Senator Tydings said

the investigators had been instructed to "run some things down that to a large extent are exclusive of McCarthy's complicity."

"For obvious reasons, we feel certain facts can more readily be developed without publishing some of the facts we have obtained," he added.

He also told reporters, after the closed Sub-Committee session, that the broadened investigation would include a "review" of the Amerasia case, which involved the arrest and prosecution of a staff member of the magazine Amerasia for illegally obtaining Federal documents.—United Press.

## FISHERIES CONFERENCE IN SYDNEY

Sydney, Apr. 17.—Dr. J. D. F. Hardenberg of Indonesia, Chairman of the Indo-Pacific Fisheries Council, today deplored the absence of fishing specialists in Southeast Asia and the Pacific when he opened the second annual conference of the Council here.

"The major difficulty of personnel imposes upon us the necessity to search carefully for important objectives and work on them thoroughly and continue until they are mastered," he said.

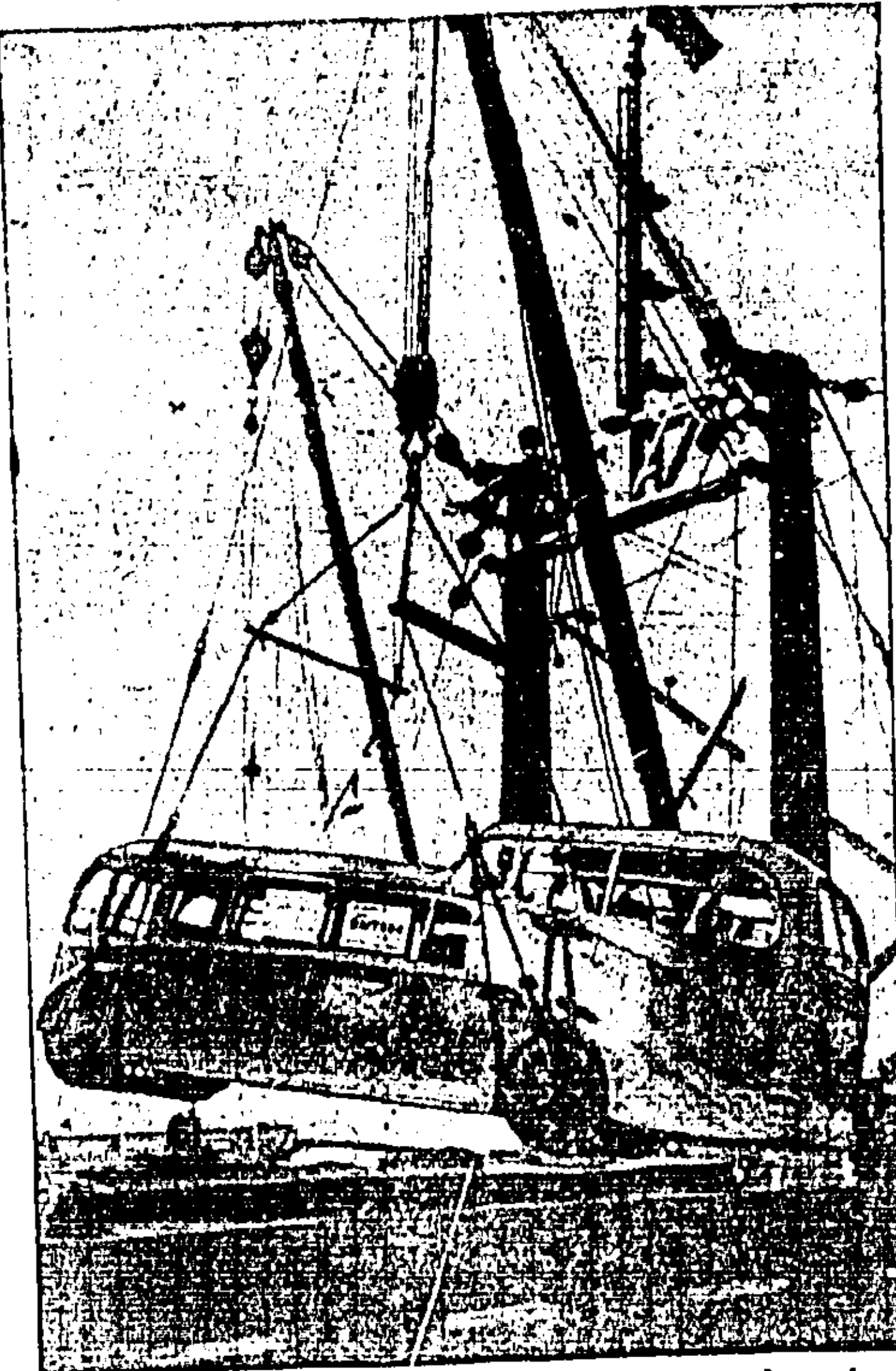
Only the closest co-operation between workers and various governments in the region would make it possible to overcome the difficulties.

The Director of the Fisheries Division of the United Nations' Food and Agriculture Organisation, Dr. D. B. Finn of Washington, said that similar councils were being formed in the Mediterranean area and South America.

His organization hoped that no facilities became available, other regions of the world might have fisheries councils which would yield practical economic results for the betterment of their peoples.

Delegates from 14 countries later attended a reception by the Australian Minister of External Affairs, Mr. F. V. Spender, who opened the conference.—Reuter.

## Made In Britain



Being hoisted aboard ship in London is a double-decker touring coach which is headed for New York where it will be exhibited in the British Automobile and Motorcycle Show. Air-conditioning, radio, and a public address system are features of this bus. (Acme).

## 14000 KOREANS HELD IN GAOL WITHOUT TRIAL

Seoul, Apr. 17.—Nearly 14,000 South Koreans charged with Communist activity, but never tried, are being held in prisons, the Government of the Republic has admitted.

They will be tried as soon as possible, but there are so many of them that the courts cannot keep up. Since December 1948, when first arrests were made under the National Security Law passed the month before, 15,000 Communists have been tried and convicted, but the courts still have at least a year's work ahead of them, with cases still awaiting trial.

The National Security Law makes it unlawful to advocate or "pose" as a government other than the Republic of Korea, or to associate with those who do.

It provides for penalties from terms in re-education camps to death. It is retroactive.

The Government admitted the inability of its 205 judges and 272 prosecutors to handle National Security Law violators quickly when the State Council rejected a revised law, which would have made it necessary to try them within 60 days, with another month allowed in certain cases.

The revisions would be "utterly impossible," the Council's message to the National Assembly said. The courts have already reached their maximum attachment, but more than 10,000 persons accused of plotting against the country have been in gaol more than six months. One man has been awaiting trial more than a year.

CASES NUMEROUS The cases awaiting trial are so numerous and so serious, some provided that many minor violators who have confessed and expressed a desire to reform, are released without trial. This is called a "day of indictment." If the violator is caught a second time, however, he will meet likely be held in gaol and tried when his time comes up.

In an attempt to rehabilitate former Communists, the Government sponsored a "National Guidance Alliance" last autumn which the Communists who came forward voluntarily and gave themselves up were promised amnesty.

The effectiveness of the drive is still a matter for argument. It is contended that it broke the back of the organized Communist movement in South Korea politics, though it had little effect on the hinterland guerrilla bands. Whether every one who confessed (there were 9,000 of them all over the country) was a real Communist, or whether there was any way of telling whether any one was really ready to get out of the movement, no one is sure.

MADE SUSPECT "One thing is sure, though," one Government official said. "Anyone who turned himself over made himself forever suspect to other Communists, and cut himself off from contact with them."

The Alliance, which is headed by former Communists, has representatives of the police and prosecutor's office as advisers. It has taken over the job of re-education of confessed Communists, who usually are required to attend lectures one or two nights a week. Where necessary, it also offers medical aid—given by ex-Communist doctors—and in some cases helps others to find jobs.—United Press.

Reducing Cost of Occupation London, Apr. 17.—Sir Harold Caccia, the British Minister in Vienna, and Major General T. J. Winton, the British High Commissioner in Austria, will arrive here tomorrow to discuss the problem of reducing the burden of occupation costs in Austria.

Sir Harold Caccia and General Winton had similar discussions here last month.—Reuter.

INTELLIGENCE TEST SOLUTION The several scores of the six matches played can only have been (a) 0-0, (b) 1-1, (c) 2-2, (d) 3-3, (e) 4-4, (f) 5-5. Draw a chart showing the several matches:

Comorania	C	4	1	0
Dormice	C	4	1	0
Amoria	0	0	3	0
Buzards	0	0	3	0

This can be ruled in as successive deductions are made.

(1) B v. C and B v. D are drawn. So A beats B—0.

(2) A's other matches are 0-0-1 and 0-0-3. Hence A won 2-1 against B and must therefore have scored one goal against A and one goal against B.

(3) Now it is clear that B draws 0-0 with D and the rest follows. The completed chart is shown above.

London Express Service.

CHECK YOUR KNOWLEDGE Answers 1. An undulation in the water of Swiss lakes. 2. Hazel nut. 3. Of or pertaining to bishops or governed by bishops. 4. Between two dangers, neither of which can be avoided. 5. No. Although it adds a joint every succeeding month, the older joints generally wear away and are lost.

## Russia To Undertake Baltic Salvage

Copenhagen, Apr. 17.—Denmark is to allow Russia to salvage the Soviet cutter Mirage, which ran aground and sank off the Danish Baltic island of Bornholm, a Foreign Ministry spokesman here said today.

He said that the Soviet Minister in Copenhagen, M. Andrei Pavlov, on Saturday requested permission to send one large salvage steamer and several smaller units and to establish bases in Rønne, "capital" of Bornholm, and at Nekse, on the east side of the island.

Observers here linked the Soviet request with the eight-day American search which ended last night for the American Privateer patrol bomber missing over the Baltic on a flight from Wiesbaden, Germany.

The Russians want to operate direct from the Bornholm shore for the salvage operations, estimated to take about 30 days.

The wreck of the Mirage has been thrown up on to the Bornholm rocks during recent eastern gales in the Baltic.

The ship's bottom is believed to have been smashed wide open by the rocks.

The Russian crew, on abandoning the ship, took every movable object aboard the ship.—Reuter.

## INDIAN REDS RAID VILLAGE

Madras, Apr. 17.—Two police constables and a police officer's wife were shot dead on Saturday by Communist terrorists who raided a village in the Chittur district, 150 miles north of Madras, according to official sources here today.

The sources said a gang of about 100 illi-clad Communists raided the village about midnight, parading the streets, firing into the air and damaging public transport.

When they reached the village police station they opened fire, killing two constables and injuring several others.

The raiders took away 70 guns and some ammunition.—Reuter.

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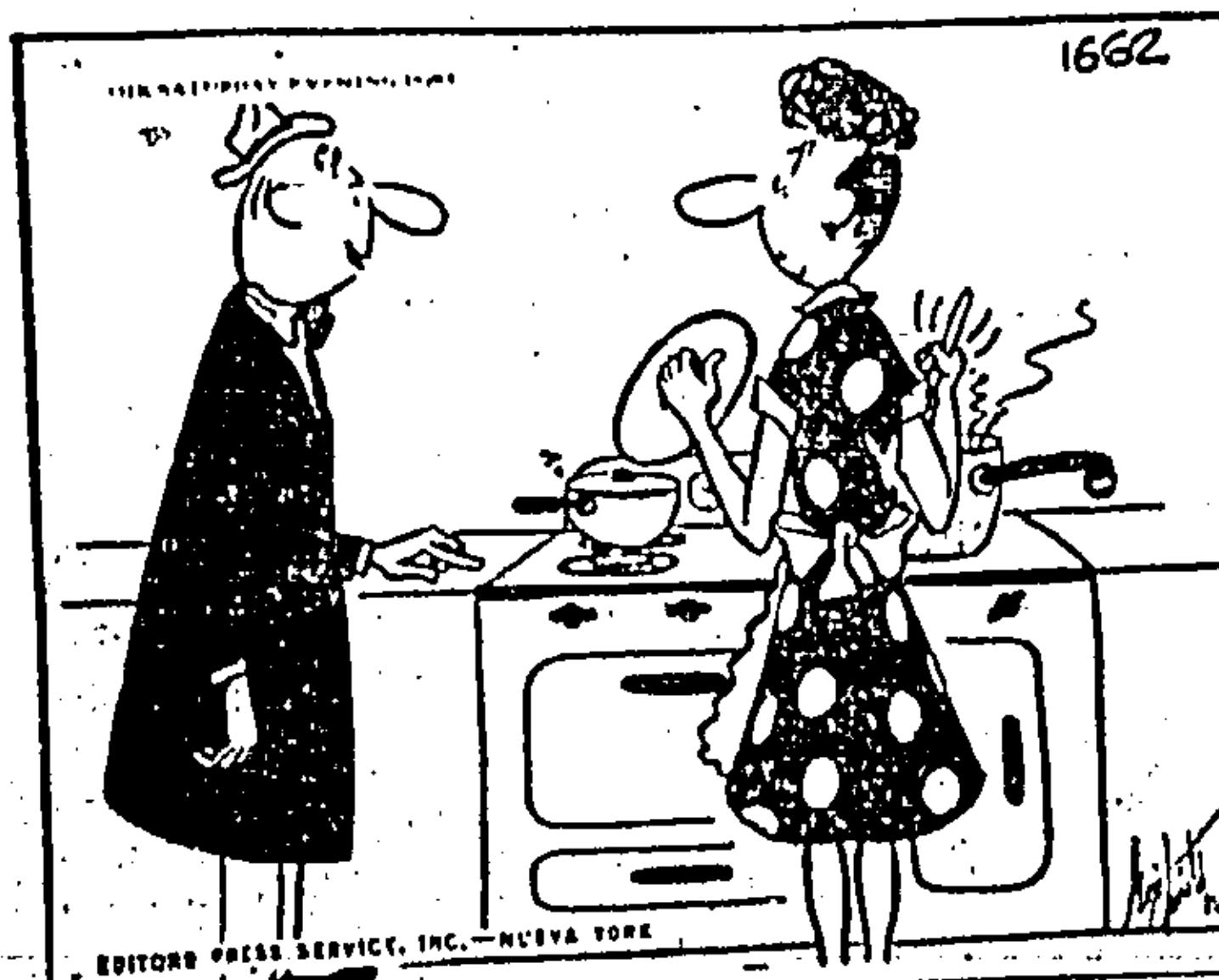
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